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## LATEST FOREIGN TELEGRAMS.

### ACTOR'S DIVORCE.

**MISS MAXINE ELLIOTT  
AND HER HUSBAND.**

### A DECREE IN NEVADA.

New York, Saturday.—Mr. Nat Goodwin, the actor, has been granted a divorce by the Nevada Court from his wife, Miss Elliott, the well-known actress, to whom he was married 12 years ago.—Central News.

### Parties Well-Known in London.

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### The Marriage.

Returning to America, Miss Maxine Elliott, who had previously divorced Mr. G. A. McDermott, a New York lawyer, married Mr. Nat Goodwin, and accompanied him on a tour to Australia. One of her best known characters in London is that of Phyllis Ericson. When she appeared at the Comedy Theatre in the autumn of 1901. Subsequently she visited London with her own company in "Her Own Way," her last visit being in September of last year, when she appeared as Mary Hamilton in "Under the Greenwood Tree," a play which had but a brief run at the Lyric Theatre. Mr. Nat Goodwin has played David Garrick and other familiar roles. In 1905 he cleverly impersonated Chauncey Short in "A Gilded Fool" at the Shaftesbury in London. His quaint Transatlantic mannerisms and a peculiarly quiet style of fun were very popular with Londoners.

### A Surprise.

Miss Elliott was playing at the Adelphi Theatre, Philadelphia, on Sept. 22, and had just left the stage and was waiting in the wings when the despatch from Reno announcing that her husband, who had resided there for some time carrying on a brokerage business, had filed a suit for divorce was shown to her. "This news of the beginning of a divorce suit comes as a complete surprise to me," she said to a "New York Times" correspondent. "I do not know what the matter with Mr. Goodwin is. He may be crazy, or he may be taking a step." At this juncture Miss Elliott stepped upon the stage and resumed her part in "Myself, Betina," in which she plays the title-role. When she returned some minutes later she said that she had just heard of Mr. Goodwin's divorce. She supposed he was there yet until the arrival of the despatch.

### Parted by Engagements.

She stated that she was interested in a number of mining properties in Nevada, and that he evidently stepped out on Reno and began the action while attending to other matters. She was anxious to know whether her husband was on his way East. "We never separated," she said. "It was merely unfortunate that our theatrical engagements necessitated that we be apart a great deal of the time. Mr. Goodwin is not on the stage at present. He is preparing to appear in a Booth Tarkington play. He must have decided to sue for a divorce between train times." Miss Elliott has spent most of her leisure time abroad in recent years. The Elliott Theatre, which is now under construction on Thirty-ninth St., just off Sixth Avenue, New York, is being built for Miss Elliott by the Shuberts. She will play at this theatre each year under the Shubert management. The new playhouse will be opened in January by Miss Elliott in a new Clyde Fitch play.

### IBRAHIM PASHA'S DEATH.

Constantinople, Saturday.—The family of Ibrahim Pasha, including the chief son Hamud, with 5,000 of his followers, have surrendered to the Turkish Imperial authorities, who are taking steps to establish beyond all doubt the identity of the deceased.—Reuter.

### GREEKS AND THE SULTAN.

Constantinople, Saturday.—The Greek tourists who have been visiting Constantinople left yesterday on their return to Greece. Previous to their departure they attended the Selamlik and cheered the Sultan. His Majesty appeared at a window and acknowledged the greeting, and the Grand

Master of Ceremonies was sent by the Sultan to convey his Majesty's thanks to the visitors for their salutation. After the Selamlik the Sultan received the Persian Ambassador in audience.—Reuter.

### U.S. AND PANAMA CANAL.

### LAWYER'S ALLEGATION OF BLACKMAIL.

New York, Saturday.—The newspapers state today that Mr. Wm. Nelson Cromwell, the well-known lawyer, who was closely connected with the transfer of the Panama Canal to the United States, has made a complaint to the authorities, in which he alleges that an attempt is being made to blackmail him with regard to that transaction. The news has aroused widespread interest here. Mr. Cromwell was engaged by the French Canal Co., and was instrumental in securing the passage of the Panama Canal Bill through Congress, subsequent to which he was retained by the Government for the purpose of perfecting the details of the transfer. It is stated that in his complaint Mr. Cromwell says a syndicate of which he was the head is alleged to have secured a profit of \$5,000,000 by the transfer of the undertaking to America. The syndicate, he says, included Mr. Chas. Taft, a brother of the Republican candidate for the Presidency; Mr. Douglas Robinson, and M. Banaavilla, the French canal speculator. Some interesting developments are understood to be likely. Mr. Cromwell says he wishes the fullest investigation.—Central News.

### AERIAL NAVIGATION.

### THE NEW LEAGUE BUSY IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Saturday.—While Count Zeppelin is busy with his preparations for a new flight, the recently founded Aerial Navy League is by no means idle. With the return of the Count to Friedrichshafen numerous offers have begun to come in from various towns which propose to build "airship harbours." The headquarters of the League at Mannheim, however, are now engaged in working out a uniform plan for the construction of such "harbours," which the League considers to be as essential to aerial navigation as stations are to railways. Meanwhile the League advises that action should be postponed until the completion of the new balloon shed at Friedrichshafen. According to the correspondent of the "Lokal-Anzeiger" at Friedrichshafen, the Aerial Navy League, at the suggestion of Count Zeppelin, is planning the erection of lighthouses on points dangerous to aerial navigation by night. The lighthouses will be provided with searchlights indicating by their rays the direction of the wind. The League will also draw up aerial charts.—Reuter.

### CZAR AND POPE.

Rome, Saturday.—The date of the visit of the Czar and Czarina to Italy has not yet been fixed, but it is now stated that the Russian Sovereigns will remain in Rome for four days. On the fourth day of his stay the Czar will visit the Forum. Subsequently the Czar and Czarina and the Italian Royal Family will go to Naples, where a naval review will be held. The Socialist Press advocates a cordial reception for the Imperial visitors.—Central News.

### ANARCHISTS CAID.

Berlin, Saturday.—The police today raided an anarchist newspaper, "The Free Worker," making three arrests.—Central News.

### MADAME SARAH BERNHARDT.

Paris, Saturday.—M. Maurice Bernhardt has received reassuring information from his mother regarding the state of her health, which she declares, contrary to newspaper reports, is excellent.—Reuter.

### MR. FARMAN'S FLIGHT.

Paris, Saturday.—Mr. Farman beat the record for speed with his aeroplane last evening, covering 43 kilometres in a flight lasting 40 minutes.—Central News.

### CYCLONE IN WEST INDIES.

Paris, Saturday.—A telegram from Basse Terre (Guadeloupe) states that several vessels were lost in the recent cyclone, and some of the crews and passengers perished. The damage is estimated at several million francs. Great consternation was created among the inhabitants.—Reuter.

### GOOD DRIVING COMPETITION.

An unusual sight was witnessed along the Thames Embankment yesterday. 34 motor vans and lorries being ranged up on the Strand side for inspection by the judges in connection with the competition for good driving organised by the Commercial Motor Users' Association. Sixteen prizes were announced to be awarded, one of £5, five of £2, and ten of £1, but it was decided by the judges to award an additional £5 prize. The two premier prize winners were a Thornycroft wagon, owned by the Westminster City Council, with approximately 72,000 miles covered, and a G.P.O. wagon constructed by Maudslay, with a mileage of 9,300.

## CASABLANCA INCIDENT.

### GENERAL D'AMADE'S REPORT.

Paris, Saturday.—The Premier has received a letter from Gen. d'Amade forwarding the supplementary part of the Casablanca incident report, which was asked for by the Council of Ministers. The report contains the account of the Casablanca incident, particularly in regard to the passage of the French soldier who was struck in the head by a servant of the German Consul-General, Hecker. The French Consul-General, Hecker, is in the hospital at Casablanca, and the German Consul-General, Hecker, is in the hospital at Casablanca, and the French Consul-General, Hecker, is in the hospital at Casablanca.

## THE MINISTRY.

### RUMOURED POST FOR MR. RUFUS ISAACS, M.P.

When Parliament reassembles on Oct. 12 it is very probable that certain changes in the Ministry will be announced. These will be occasioned by the resignation of Lord Macnaghten, one of the Lords of Appeal, whose retirement will be followed by the promotion to the vacant post of a member of the present Court of Appeal—probably the Master of the Rolls (Sir H. H. Cresswell-Hardy) or Sir J. Fletcher Moulton. In that case the Court of Appeal would be reinforced by the appointment of a Common-law Judge, and everything points to the lot falling upon Mr. Justice Bigham.

### The New Solicitor-General.

There is much speculation in legal circles as to who will be raised to the Bench in place of Justice Bigham, but rumour associates the name of Sir Samuel Evans, M.P., with the probable vacancy. In that case it is thought extremely likely that Mr. Rufus Isaacs will become Solicitor-General in his stead. This appointment would necessitate a by-election at Reading, where the figures at the last election were—  
Mr. Rufus Isaacs (R.) ..... 5,407  
Mr. G. H. Johnstone (U.) ..... 4,710  
Radical majority ..... 697

### NEXT GENERAL ELECTION.

BRADFORD (R.).—Mr. Balfour Brown, K.C. (U.), has been adopted to oppose Mr. W. Priestley, M.P.  
HANTS (R.).—It has been decided to run a Tariff Reform candidate against Mr. Abel Smith, M.P. (U. Free Trader).  
MIDDERSEX (R.).—Mr. J. Woodward (Lab.) has been selected to stand if Col. Sir L. Herbert (R.) does not seek re-election.  
CHESHIRE (Aldershot).—Viscount Bury, eldest son of the Earl of Albemarle, was yesterday adopted as prospective U. candidate.  
PATERBORO (R.).—Capt. G. F. Stanley (U.), brother of Lord Derby, has been selected to run with Mr. A. A. Tobin, K.C., in opposition to Mr. J. Macpherson (Lab.) and Mr. Harold Cox (R.).

### EXCITING SCENE.

### ATTEMPT TO THROW A MAN OUT OF A TRAIN.

Yesterday, at Grays, Daniel Baker and Richard Martin were charged with assaulting Herbert Williams by attempting to throw him out of a train on the G.E. Rly.—Mr. Matthews, who prosecuted, said that Mr. Williams was travelling to London, and that the two men entered the carriage and commenced to quarrel violently. On Mr. Williams remonstrating with them they struck him, lifted him up from the seat, and attempted to throw him out of the carriage window. While struggling with the men at the window Mr. Williams managed to pull the communication cord, and the train was brought to a standstill. The guard and other persons came to the assistance of Mr. Williams, who was found in a dangerous position. The railway company explained counsel, were prosecuting owing to complaints having been made of assaults of this kind.—Prisoners pleaded not guilty, but were convicted.—Martin three weeks and Baker two weeks imprisonment.

### KENSINGTON AND TRAMS.

At the Kensington Borough Council meeting next Tuesday the Works Committee will report that they have had under consideration a letter from the Highways Committee of the L.C.C., intimating that the County Council will be recommended to apply to Parliament for authority to construct tramways from Battersea Bridge to Shepherd's Bush. A petition largely signed by owners of property and ratepayers of Kensington has been received strongly protesting against the scheme on the ground that the roads proposed to be traversed are narrow and unsuitable to such traffic, and that the effect of a tramway would be to cause considerable annoyance and inconvenience to residents. The committee recommended that the Borough Council should not prepare to give their consent to the proposed tramways, and that the Borough Council be also requested to withhold their consent to the scheme.

## TRAINS HELD UP.

### SERIOUS BREAKDOWN ON THE UNDERGROUND.

### ALARMED PASSENGERS.

Traffic on four of the electric railways of London was completely stopped for two hours yesterday afternoon, owing to a mishap to the machinery of the power-generating station at Leamington, which necessitated the stopping of the entire machinery for the fault to be remedied. The services on the District Rly., the Piccadilly and Brompton Rly., the Baker-st. and Waterloo Rly., and the Hampstead Tube were all entirely stopped during the busiest hours of the afternoon, with the result that considerable inconvenience was caused to many thousands of passengers travelling for pleasure or business. The special traffic for the Franco-British Exhibition and for the Fulham v. Grimsby football match at Craven Cottage alone involved a countless number of passengers in serious delay. Those who were travelling by the trains at the actual time of the breakdown had the unusual experience of having to descend from the trains and walk along the line to the nearest station. This was necessary on each of the lines, nearly all the trains running in the various services having come to a standstill between the stations.

### Cause of the Breakdown.

The actual cause of the breakdown was happily not so serious in itself as was originally reported. There was no explosion and no damage at the works other than that due to delay. What happened was in itself a simple matter, and an official version describes the occurrence in the following laconic statement:—  
The "surge" of the high tension current caused some control switches to fuse, and it became necessary to cut off current for repairs. No one hurt.  
The stopping of the current was, of course, a precautionary measure.

### "The Light That Failed."

The immediate effect was that the trains all over the system came to a gradual standstill, every electric light in the carriages went out, the lifts on the stations stopped (some of them half-way down the shaft), and even the clocks on the stations, which are controlled by electric current, also ceased to work. A few fortunate passengers found that their trains had stopped at the platforms, but these were the exceptions, and, after waiting for periods varying from five minutes to half an hour, the conductors telephoned to the stations and ascertained that the current would not be on again for a time, and then ceased to work. A few fortunate passengers found that their trains had stopped at the platforms, but these were the exceptions, and, after waiting for periods varying from five minutes to half an hour, the conductors telephoned to the stations and ascertained that the current would not be on again for a time, and then ceased to work.

### Groping Through Tunnels.

The oil lamps carried in each coach were lighted, and with other illuminations brought from the stations the passengers made their way through the tunnels to the stations. In some cases complaints were afterwards made of bruises from stumbling over rails and so on, but for the most part the passengers accomplished their adventurous walk without the slightest mishap and reached the stations in complete safety. Considerable annoyance inevitably prevailed, but passengers who asked for the return of their fares were satisfied, and continued their journey on foot, or by bus or cab.

### Caught in the Lifts.

The stations, of course, had to depend for their lighting below ground on oil lamps or torches. The plight of passengers caught in the lifts was somewhat difficult. At several stations where the cage stopped half-way down it had to be lowered or raised up or down at considerable difficulty by hand. The repairs to the machinery at Chelsea were executed with the greatest possible despatch, and at 4.35 the great generating station was again in working order. The traffic on the Piccadilly and Brompton Rly. was first resumed at 4.45, and the "load" was then gradually worked up until a service was going on each of the lines affected. The full traffic was not in complete working order until about half an hour later.

## SECOND SUMMER.

### OCTOBER AS WARM AS JUNE AND JULY.

The very abnormal weather conditions which have been experienced during the week continues, and there is no prospect of immediate change. On Friday the thermometer reached 80 in the shade in London—as high as it has ever been in London in October; indeed, there have been only seven days this year on which the temperature rose higher than Friday. They were—  
June 4 ..... 81 deg. July 25 ..... 79 deg.  
June 10 ..... 79 deg. July 30 ..... 80 deg.  
June 17 ..... 80 deg. Aug. 3 ..... 81 deg.  
June 24 ..... 83 deg.  
Places as far apart as Oban and Hastings had over ten hours' sunshine on Friday. There was hardly a spot in England, Wales, or Scotland in which the temperature did not rise to over 70 deg., while in many places London's record was equalled.

### Scenes on the River.

The scene on the Thames has been quite summer-like. Watermen have had out all their boats, punts, and launches for the week-end visitors. In fact the upper Thames has taken on something of its midsummer gaiety. Only the fading yellow of the trees betrayed the presence of autumn. Every hotel along the banks of the river has suddenly ordered supplies for to-day's luncheon and dinners. The red deer in Windsor Great Park are considered dangerous in October, when usually they fight and make a great noise. Now they find the weather much too hot, and are as quiet as lambs. Children were yesterday feeding the swans as if it were midsummer.

## LORD MAYOR'S SHOW.

### PAGEANT OF AUTHORS AND CHARACTERS.

Mr. Louis N. Parker, who is to organise the pageant for the Lord Mayor's Show this year, is to meet the committee of the Guildhall tomorrow to decide on the details. The idea is to illustrate literature as connected with the City and the rest of London; and the most famous authors and writers, from the time of Chaucer to the end of the Victorian era, will be represented in the pageant, and if the scheme is adopted, it is also suggested that the best-known characters created in the works of the literary celebrities shall be impersonated. This will be the distinctive feature of the show, but the ordinary items will probably all be included, although it will depend on the length taken up by Mr. Parker's pageant whether the rest of the procession is cut short or not. Twenty bands are to be engaged, and there will be the usual military features contributed by the War Office. Londoners will also probably see once more the manned lifeboat and the procession of fire brigades. The complete route of the procession through the streets has not yet been decided upon, but as the new Lord Mayor is an adherent of the Dowgate Ward, and the senior Sheriff belongs to the Billingsgate Ward, it is certain that the show will proceed along Thames-st.

### STABBED WITH A HATPIN.

James Fox, a navy, was charged, at Tottenham, yesterday, with being drunk and disorderly, and with assaulting a woman, who was a member of the Tottenham Police Force. Fox was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and with assaulting a woman, who was a member of the Tottenham Police Force. Fox was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and with assaulting a woman, who was a member of the Tottenham Police Force.

### EMBANKMENT SCENE.

An exciting scene was witnessed on the Embankment yesterday. In attempting to avoid colliding with another vehicle a taximeter motor-car ran into a four-wheeler with such force that the latter was overturned, and the driver thrown to the ground. He was taken to Westminster Hospital, suffering from bruises to the head and face, but it was not found necessary to detain him. Neither of the vehicles contained fares.

## POPLAR POOR-LAW SCANDAL.

### CALCUTT'S STORY.

### HOW THE BOOKS WERE DESTROYED.

Calcutt, the building contractor, was the first witness called when the hearing of the charges in the Poplar scandal was resumed yesterday at the Thames Police Court. The seven accused—six ex-guardians and one woman guardian—are:—  
Albert Smith, decorator, Aberfeldy-st. Poplar.  
John Kilpack Peacock, tailor, Sibley-grove, East Ham.  
Charles Samuel Poole, Nelson Hotel, Prittlewell, Essex, late Dock Taverna, Millwall.  
Joseph Robert Smith, general foreman, Bury-st. Lower Edmonton.  
Job Bebban, coal agent, Abbott-rd., Bromley.  
Alfred Edwin Finden, club secretary, Grosvenor-buildings, Poplar.  
Elizabeth Jane Corder, widow, Devan-st., Bromley.

### THE DEFENDANTS ARE CHARGED WITH CONSPIRING TO DEFRAUD THE RATEPAYERS, AND ALSO WITH CONSPIRING TO SOLICIT AND RECEIVE GIFTS AND REWARDS FROM JAS. CALCUTT, A BUILDING CONTRACTOR TO THE BOARD.

The court was crowded as usual, and there was a great array of counsel, all of the defendants, with the exception of Finden, being legally represented.—Mr. A. H. Bodkin, with Mr. Sims, prosecuted on behalf of the Crown.  
—Calcutt was examined by Mr. Bodkin. He said his address was now at Southend. He was a builder by trade, and started on his own account about 1898, on the retirement of his master. He took on some work which he was doing for the Mile End Guardians under contract. Witnesses' diaries under contract. Witnesses' diaries under contract. Witnesses' diaries under contract.

### Starting Admissions.

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### A STOPPED FUNERAL.

An inquest was held at Lewisham, yesterday, under peculiar circumstances on Edward H. Elliott, 38, an inmate of the Asylum for the Insane, Greenwich. Deceased was an old waterman of great repute about half a century ago, and won several prizes in races on the river. Arrangements had been made for his burial, but at the last moment the coroner, in consequence of communications made to him, ordered the funeral to be stopped. In order that an inquest might be held. The daughter of deceased, a Mrs. Gheaker, who lives at Southend, said she thought her father had been poisoned.—Dr. Kaye said he had made a post mortem, and found that death was due to acute indigestion and a venereal infection with the medical evidence.

### THE FIRST INTRODUCTION.

Did you go alone to see the members? No, Mr. Peacock. Peacock introduced me to Mr. G. Warner. The first man that Peacock introduced me to was Mr. G. Warner. The first man that Peacock introduced me to was Mr. G. Warner. The first man that Peacock introduced me to was Mr. G. Warner.

### "Getting Mixed Up."

Of the managers, the first one he got to know after the conversation with Peacock was Albert Smith.—Where Peacock made his acquaintance? In the docks house. I am getting mixed up in these pubs. (Laughter.) It was quite close to the East India Docks, near Peacock's shop. Peacock had told me to use that house. I called there to have a drink with Peacock, and Albert Smith was there.—What was the introduction? Peacock said, "He (meaning me) is an old friend of my father's. I want to get him the work at the Sick Asylum." Albert Smith was a builder of the address at Aberfeldy-rd., near Brunswick-rd. Calcutt said the next day he was introduced to Smith Poole, who was the manager of the Millwall Dock Tavern, or, as some people called it, "The Dock Hotel." It was in the "Dock House" where he was first introduced to Poole by defendant Peacock. The "Dock House" was a different house from the Millwall Dock Tavern. They were all together. With Peacock was introduced to Poole by Peacock, and they had drinks and cigars.—Mr. Bodkin: And who was the next

you got to know before you sent in your application? I think I was introduced to them after.

### The Medus Operandi.

—Was anything said as to how you were to make the application? Yes, Peacock said, "I was to write a letter to Mr. Fostick asking for the carpentering and jobbing work at the Blackwall Branch Asylum. The letter produced was the one that was sent. I did not write it. We went to Geo. Warner's, and his brother-in-law wrote it in Geo. Warner's breakfast parlour. Peacock was there. I could not write the letter myself. Geo. Warner's brother-in-law said, 'I am not much of a writer, but I'll write it.' The address, 'Trevi-st., Poplar,' was that of my brother-in-law, Percy Smith. Peacock said: 'You must have an address in the neighbourhood because the managers always vote for local labour.' I said: 'What can I do?' Peacock said, 'Can't you take a shed in the neighbourhood?' I said, 'That would be no good,' and he remarked, 'Don't you know anybody in Poplar that you could use the address of?' I said, 'Yes, my brother-in-law lives in Poplar. I must ask him first.' I obtained his permission to use his address.

### A. J. Gibbs in the Box.

—Calcutt's evidence was interrupted to permit of the interpolation of dramatic evidence by Alfred Jas. Gibbs in regard to defendant Albert Smith, and the firm of "Gibbs and Co." of Brunswick-rd.—Gibbs said that he had been an inmate of the Poplar Workhouse for the last year and 10 months as a messenger. He was formerly a clerk—had been in the employ of defendant, A. Smith, as a clerk for 14 or 15 years. Smith at that time was a representative of the House Property and Investment Co., and a contractor for repairs. At the house in Brunswick-rd. he (witness) occupied two rooms, for which he paid 5s. a week out of the 30s. a week he received as wages. Gibbs said that sometimes he grew a beard for three months, and then had it shaved off, and went about for months with a bare chin until he thought he would like a beard once again, when he allowed it to grow.—The hearing was again adjourned.

### FORECASTS OF THE WEATHER.

### FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING MIDNIGHT (SUNDAY)

1. SCOTLAND, N. Light or moderate to fresh winds between south and west; cloudy or dull; rain in places; cooler South or south-west; light; changeable. 2. SCOTLAND, E. South or south-west; light; changeable. 3. ENGLAND, N.E. or fine, some mist or fog in morning; warm. 4. ENGLAND, E. between south-east and south-west; some mist or fog early; then fine and warm. 5. ENGLAND, S.E. Moderate southerly or south-west; breezy, cloudy, some mist or showers locally; cooler. 6. SCOTLAND, W. Same as No. 2. 7. ENGLAND, N.W. and N. W.ALES. Same as Nos. 3 and 4. 8. ENGLAND, S.W. and S. W.ALES. Wind generally between south and south-west, freshening in west and north-west; mostly fair or fine; some mist, rain locally in west; temperature about the average. 9. IRELAND, N. South-easterly or easterly winds, light; sm. smoky, fair or fine, but some mist or fog; warm. 10. IRELAND, S. Same as No. 2. 11. W. CHANNEL and BAY. Same as No. 2.

### TIDE TABLE FOR THE WEEK.

LONDON, LIVERPOOL, BRISTOL, HULL, &c.	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
London	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Liverpool	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Bristol	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Hull	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Cardiff	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Swansea	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Exeter	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Plymouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Southampton	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Portsmouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Weymouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Bournemouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Christchurch	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Poole	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Bournemouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
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Portsmouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Southampton	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4.31
Plymouth	7.24	2.45	8.06	3.16	8.51	3.51	9.36	4





### A House with a History.

Better late than never. The stately old brick mansion which the Post Office London Directory calls 14, Buckingham-st., Strand, W.C., is to be labelled soon as an edifice of some historical importance. It is to wear upon its facade a County Council tablet showing that in its time it has sheltered a somewhat better and nobler class of mankind than it is customary for old houses by the river to harbour at the present day—or shall I say at any day not long since departed, when the Strand streets leading Thamesward offered to all who might be in search of abundant disaster such expert providers of the commodity as mushroom mining corporations, with their directors in clover and their old money-lenders, shady turf commission agents who were not above playing the confidence trick, in their spare time, upon that greenest of all greenhorns, the "smart" American visitor; or proprietors who were in the habit of descending to the old-time "night-houses" solicitors that had been struck off the rolls, and "private detectives" that had been kicked out of the public service for abusing the trust placed in them as guardians of the peace. The men who in different ages gave home to the bricks and mortar of 14, Buckingham-st., and with whose memory the County Council has decided to establish an outward and visible connecting link were Samuel Pepys, the celebrated diarist; Robert Harley, Earl of Oxford; William Wyndham, an Anglo-Irishman; the famous Robert Addams, not much later, R. A. Clarkson Stanfield, the landscape and marine painter, who began life before the mast, and ended it "after the Masters," as one of his waggish contemporaries is alleged to have observed.

### Please to Remember the Drama.

With such names as these inscribed upon its brave old front, 14, Buckingham-st., with its picturesque water-gate—through which Pepys must have passed many a time to take boat to Westminster—will be a house to point out, and to pause before. But I would recommend the County Council, if it values its life, to make room on the commemorative tablet for the name of another one-time tenant of account, to wit, John Henderson, actor, who in about 1770 was regarded by playgoers of the period as a Shakespearean tragedian of very considerable merit—and a tragedian in spite of the fact that, like Mr. Beerbohn Tree, his Falstaff was one of his most notable performances. It will never do in these keenly theatrical days for the County Council to leave the Drama out in the cold, and unless it wants to answer a thousand letters from the Actors' Association and a special order of protest by the Editor of "The Era," it will see that John Henderson is squeezed into the scheme, even if the process of compression necessitates the inscribing of his honoured name in mid-gut type!

### Messenger Boys and Mulberry Gardens.

There is nothing new under the sun—except new boots, and now and again new laid eggs. There was some correspondence in a theatrical journal not long ago about the "unreserved" first-nighter's plan of securing himself a seat in pit or gallery by paying a messenger boy to do the waiting of the business, and the discussion which was started with the view of raising a remarkably unimportant question, alluded to the first-nighter's scheme as new-fangled. Holty-toity! New-fangled, indeed! One paid newspaper boys, loafers, and lads of the "errand" type to keep one's place for one outside the pit doors five-and-twenty years ago (that to my own particular knowledge), and the practice of engaging a boy, either inside or outside the theatre, to keep one's seat in the house, or one's place in the crowd, while one went for a stroll until curtain-rise, is a practice which belongs to centuries, not to mere seasons. Listen to the stammering English of Samuel Pepys on this matter: "It being almost 12 o'clock this morning, on May 18, 1669, or little more, I went to the theatre, where the doors were not then open; but presently they did open; and we in, and many people already come in by private ways into the pit (another dodge, you see, by no means new-fangled!), it being the first day of Sir Chas. Sedley's new play, so long expected. The Mulberry Garden, which was a kind of a pleasure resort called 'The Mulberry Garden' (on the site of which Buckingham House was built), and found it 'a very silly place, worse than Spring Garden.' That he should not have remarked upon the coincidence of having been bored two distinctively different kinds of mulberry gardens within three days, and two which he had never seen before, is due, of course, to the fact that when it came to writing he was only a diarist and nothing more.

### The Turning of the Water Rat.

A protest at last from the lighter side against the dramatists who hold its members to the ridiculous and contempt! It was bound to come sooner or later; but the lighter stage has

### The Nursing Temperament.

Dress is an important matter. It has certainly made more nurses in our time than the desire for useful occupation. The nursing livery is increasing in variety and colour. The other day I saw a couple of pretty women in light blue gowns and pretty blue and white bonnets. Navy blue, however, holds its own, and the women in that colour look more attractive than their gaily dressed sisters. There are nurses who are conscientious and well trained, and who don't upset every house into which they enter, and yet it is a fact that a great many women who are engaged in the nursing profession have neither the temperament of the nurse nor the desire to be a comfort to the stricken invalid. Only those people who know what it is to have sickness within their doors, can realise the added misery of having to endure the presence of a professional nurse, who expects to take meals with the family, to be constantly waited upon, and who always, to begin with, mounts guard in the patient's room, and attempts to keep his door away from him. If you are acquainted with any of the Roman Catholic sisters, whose lives are devoted to the nursing of the sick in this country, you know at least the sort of temperament that is required to make a nurse who shall be a source of comfort to a household in sickness, and not an added misery.

### Nuns who Nurse the Sick.

In Westbourne Grove, past Whiteley's great shops, is the Convent of the Bon Secours, dedicated to the nursing of the sick. The neighbourhood is one of the most popular shopping districts in London, and all day long leaved women frequent the great emporiums, or gaze at the tastefully decorated windows, where every article is so cunningly displayed to captivate their fancy. It is a change from the worldly scene, with its bustle and gaiety, to the quiet rooms of the convent, with its piece of garden where the nuns sit in summer, and its beautiful chapel gay with flowers, where they observe prayer and meditate. I do not know whether in England the nursing orders of the Catholic Church have received thorough hospital training, or if the nuns would be proficient to undertake extremely dangerous cases. Their dress, of course, is not fitted for the hospital, the heavy black skirts and veils are obviously out of place. Only washing garments should be worn by those in charge of invalids; but the woman herself, the Roman Catholic nun who comes to the house of sorrow, is a revelation. There must be a great deal more than some of us think of as a religious habit can give to its devotee, a patient, a heart, such womanly calmness, such infinite patience, such unflinching in the performance of arduous duties. I have lately known of a case of diastrophic disease which ended in death. The young wife of the man so hopelessly stricken engaged nurse after nurse to attend upon him, and they performed their duties well; but the invalids left the food was a source of complaint and things did not go smoothly at all. At last a friend sent a nun from one of the convents to assist in the nursing. The young wife welcomed the sister, and showed her the room prepared for her, and was proceeding with the usual domestic arrangements owing to all the trouble she was in, when the little nun rose from her chair and said, "My dear child, don't worry about me, anything I do for you, I have come to you, and I shall be a hindrance or trouble"—and while she stayed there was a sense of peace in the storm-tossed house, because she possessed the spirit of the true Christian.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

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## OUR OMNIBUS.

## THE CONDUCTOR.



There were to be 5,000 spins. With fluctuating fortunes, mostly adverse, he succeeded in keeping going until the 3,081st coup. Then he had to stop, practically "cleaned out."

Lord Roslyn, in all probability, has not lost belief in his system. In fact, he is more than ever a devotee of the doctrine of chances, never do. Those who have read *Ben and Rose's* excellent novel, "Ready-Money Mortiboy," will remember the blind confidence in his system possessed by Dick Mortiboy's disreputable partner, Alcide Lafleur. When he returned, beggared from Homburg, he exclaimed: "My system is perfect. I was the fool." He declared that if he had only had the luck to put down two thousand in one stake he must inevitably have won a fortune. As it was, he hesitated and lost. But—the system was perfect.

The facts remain that, as Sir Hiram Maxim contends, the "bank," in the long run, must invariably win. There are 36 holes in a roulette table, of which 36 are painted black and red alternately, and a single and a double zero. It is those zeros, together with the rule that a player may not put down more than a maximum stake—fixed in Lord Roslyn's match with Sir Hiram Maxim at 6,000 francs—whom give the "bank" the pull. Occasionally punters experience the most extraordinary runs. Just Professor Karl Pearson, the eminent mathematician, asserted that the results of a fortnight's play at Monte Carlo were such as could not have been calculated if "roulette had gone on since the beginning of geological time on this earth." Still in the end the "bank" is bound to win.

Roulette was the rage in France from the end of the eighteenth century until 1838, when it was suppressed. It continued to flourish at German watering-places until 1872, and then the law descended on it. The game's last refuge is Monte Carlo. These fascinating tales are told from time to time of well-to-do persons who have "broken the bank," but nothing is said of the victims of the roulette board, whom a discreet administration supplies with enough money to remove themselves from the scene of their losses. Roulette, looked at all round, is a fool's game.

## THE ACTOR.



For the elder generation of playgoers the stage record of the past week is a record of the death of two old-time comedians who, retiring years ago, disappeared from the stage, leaving a void in the hearts of the playgoers. The more accomplished of those passing away at Siena was just reached me, though he had no link of kindred with the beautiful Miss Farren who became Countess of Derby, was none the less the third of his name and family whose imitations have enlivened the London theatres. His grandfather, the first William Farren, was a member of the Drury Lane company under David Garrick, with whom he played the old English classical comedies. His father I vividly recollect seeing when I was a schoolboy, at the Haymarket, in the "School for Scandal" as Sir Peter Teazle, with Mrs. Vestris playing Lady Teazle; Charles Mathews, Charles Surface; Mrs. Glover, Mrs. Clarendon; Mrs. Clifford, Lady Swallow; Ben Webster, Snake; and Buckstone, Sir Benjamin Backbite. A second of the three "old" Farrens in succession, he was no less eminent as Lord Ogley in "The Claudine Marriage," but the favourite character of this exquisite histrion was undoubtedly Whitehead, in which, by his pathetic, he never failed to move the audience to tears.

The comedian by heredity of the third generation just passed away possessed with the distinguished personality of his predecessors and the artificiality of his manner belonging to the Georgian and early Victorian periods. The first time I saw the lamented actor (who as time wore on came to be known as "Old" Farren) was about 1848, at the old Strand Theatre, in a stage version of "The Year of Wakedoom," in which he appeared as Moses (looking young enough to be that callow youth) to the father, Dr. Primrose, Mrs. Stirling's Olivia, Mrs. Glover's Mrs. Primrose, and Leigh Murray's Squire Thornhill. In mature years he was seen as the lover, Harry Arncliffe, in Tom Taylor's play, "The Unusual

Match," and at a still later date he successfully assumed characters in old comedies previously identified with his father, such as Sir Peter Teazle, Lord Ogley, and Sir Anthony Absolute. But the third of the Farrens is probably best borne in mind by his follow players of the past, Sir Geoffrey Champneys, the severe old parental baronet of "Our Boys," brought out in 1875 at the Vandeville, where Byron's comedy filled the bill without a break for over three years.

In common with both the Farrens before him, the third hardly made any distinct mark until he had reached middle age, and then, like them, it was in humorous delineations of elderly gentlemen. But though the third Farren's voice was always clearly articulated, I missed in it the tender touch which rendered his father's utterance through scenes of feeling and emotion so poignantly pathetic.

The departed comedian was an uncle of the celebrated actress, Miss Nellie Farren, and his son, representing the family in the third generation, is the well-known leading player in touring companies.

Mr. Robert Soutar, the second actor in the week's obituary, was, until invalided from the stage by the long and distressing illness which deprived it of his services, a familiar figure in the comic character scenes in times past through the Hollingshead management at the old Gaiety, and years before that at the still older Olympic. In eccentric parts he evinced such humour of personal drollery as never failed to excite merriment.

Mr. Soutar was linked by marriage with the Farren family as husband of Miss Nellie Farren, their son being the bright young actor, Mr. Farren Soutar.

It is not generally known that Miss F. Glossop-Harris, who has this week started on a fourth provincial tour with her own company at St. Leonards-on-Sea, is the daughter of the late Sir Augustus Harris, the former manager of Drury Lane Theatre.

## PIPER PAN.



One only need scan the amusement advertisements to know that a busy musical season is about to commence. Although there is no opera at Covent Garden this is the last autumn season as prevailed for the past three years, there is no dearth of attractive fare for music-lovers. I think that every form of music is to be presented for the edification of individual audiences. I am glad, however, to notice that solo, vocal, and instrumental recitals promise to be much fewer, and those announced are chiefly by well-known artists who can rely upon adequate support. It has for many years been distressing and scandalous to have the large number of incompetent and unknown performers who have been induced by unscrupulous agents to give concerts.

I notice that the Philharmonic Society's prospectus for the winter season 1908-9 evinces a pleasing regard for native musicians. Two of them, Mr. H. J. Wood and Mr. Landon Ronald, will conduct three of the seven concerts; and two new works by British composers are down for production. One of these is an orchestral piece by Mr. Delius, entitled, "In a Summer Garden," and the other, by Mr. Arthur Haverly, is a tone-poem, named "Summer."

As usual the directors of the venerable society, now within five years of its centenary, have engaged a goodly number of famous artists. Just glancing at the list I notice such world-wide celebrated names as Kubelik, Nikisch, Pugno, Sauer, John Coates, etc. The repertoire is also replete with splendid and choice gems of musical art. Altogether it seems to me that this 90th season of the Philharmonic Society, which begins on Nov. 12, is particularly attractive.

The first thing that struck me, on perusing the programme of the new "Classical Concert Society" was the absence of any British composer's name. But I suppose the promoters of the undertaking can gauge the taste of the small section of the musical public that likes classical chamber music, and have made their selection accordingly. And it is satisfactory to notice that English performers form a good percentage of the solo instrumentalists engaged.

It is indeed interesting to hear that a "Queen's Hall Choral Society" is about to be formed by Messrs. Chappell. Many of my readers will remember that Mr. H. J. Wood had such a project in view some years ago, but had to abandon it owing to pressure of his conducting work. That the new organisation, which will ultimately reach the high pinnacle of success attained by the famous Queen's Hall orchestra I have little doubt.

place. Until this is ready the remains of Senor Saracate, which have been embalmed, will rest in a temporary mausoleum. I can quite understand the sorrow felt by his own people, for here in London music-lovers who knew him, and others who did not, but had listened to his exquisite performance, spoke in hushed voices of regret.

## WILL WORKMAN.



My dear readers, according to Free Trade Union Leaflet 85 it is absurd to say that by importing foreign goods we are depriving British workers of employment, and we are asked to welcome foreign imports—the more the better—as they mean more work for us.

I don't know whether it is the strenuous campaign against the tariff which has made me so stupid, but sure it is I am utterly at a loss to understand how the importation into this country of things we are extremely well fitted to produce means more work for British workers.

For instance, last year we imported the following—

Cutlery and hardware	£4,050,000
Electrical goods and appliances	1,250,000
Machinery	5,200,000
Woodware	1,800,000
Textile goods	4,070,000
Earthware and glass	5,000,000
Paper goods	5,000,000

A total of £28,800,000 worth, which meant wages of 30s. per week to about 425,000 for a whole year.

According to leaflet 85 we ought to rejoice with exceeding gladness at these large foreign imports of goods which displace no, I beg No. 85's pardon—provide work for British labour. Let me tell you a story. A New-castle friend of mine took a chum (they were both carpenters) on to the quay where a large steamer was unloading foreign-made doors, window frames, etc. They were both out of work. After watching them some time, my friend asked his mate how many men it would require to make what they were looking at, and he replied, "Several hundreds of 'em."

"Geordie," said I, "I want to keep them out, but the Free Trader wants them to come in." And the reply came, hot and strong: "No more Free Trade for me; I'll vote for Renwick."

To prove this No. 85 tells us that the years 1880 to 1888 were the years of greatest increase in manufactured imports and also the years of greatest increase in employment. Well, I have before me the Free Trade Union Handbook, price 1s., published this year, and I learn from pp. 62 and 64 the following—

Year	Manufactured Imports	Unemployment per 10,000
1880	£78,400,000	525
1881	78,000,000	355
1882	77,500,000	280
1883	77,500,000	280
1884	77,500,000	280
1885	77,500,000	280
1886	77,500,000	280
1887	77,500,000	280
1888	77,500,000	280

Evidently there is something wrong here. No, my friends, it will not wash. To buy foreign horsehoes is to rob British blacksmiths of work. To import German woollen goods is to displace Bradford woolen goods. To buy American cutlery and give them as prizes to Sheffield scholars is at the cost of Sheffield employment, and those who cannot see that have not learnt the A B C of commercial economics. Our imports to be useful, must be things we do not produce and we are producing them not only for our unemployment, but sweating, long hours, and low wages.

Referring to my sample of Free Trade Finance, a friend asks if some further explanation is not needed. Well, perhaps there is. For 20s. a working man buys 10lb. of tea and a rich man only 4lb. with the result that one pays 8d. duty and the other 1s. 8d. The secret of it lies in the fact that our duties are not raised on value, but on weight or quantity. This is a system which favours the deepest purse and the heaviest duty on the lightest purses. Our duties ought to be on value to treat both alike.

Some of my friends in Canada are getting alarmed at the adoption of our Socialists' candidate for the Canadian Parliament. Really there is no need to worry about such a small matter. If they will look at the Mother Country, and see the treatment Socialists receive here when standing in their true colours, for instance, Irving at N.W. Manchester, Burrows at Haggerston, and Hartley at Newcastle—they may take heart and still breathe quite freely. Socialism here, much less in Canada, is not yet a force in modern politics.

The dear old "Daily News" went out of its way to vilify the great anti-slavery demonstration of last Sunday, describing the 150,000 protesters as "paid battalions," and "pitifully unequal and unequal for its mercenary and sordid character." Accompanied with wagonettes filled with beer in jars and barrels, we are told the occupants were singing "Beer, glorious beer!" Happily, I saw it for three hours, and can assure my readers that the beer and the sordidness existed only in the imagination of "The Daily News" reporter.

## BUCKLAND JUNIOR.



Among the specimens which have reached me for identification is a tree grasshopper from Tansons. This graceful little creature is usually to be found, as its name implies, upon trees; its favourites being the lime and oak. It is of a pale green colour with a yellow line along the back. The hind legs are long and curved upwards. The larva of these grasshoppers hatch in the late spring; the adults appearing about August. On account of their great resemblance in colour to the leaves of the trees upon which they are found it is almost impossible to distinguish them, and the best means of obtaining them, therefore, is by beating the trees and catching the falling insects in a sheet or net during the autumn. Besides this resemblance another difficulty is that they are silent, as they are not furnished, I believe, with the stridulating apparatus common to grasshoppers and crickets. The tree grasshopper is fairly common in England, especially in the south.

A spider, which although generally distributed throughout the midland and southern counties, does not possess a popular name, has just reached me from West Brompton—it is known as *Epeira scalaris*. In the female the abdomen is large, but much smaller in the male. It is oval and rounded above and of a yellowish-brown colour. The shield is of a pale dull yellow colour, with broad dark margins and a dark line down the centre.

From Appleton, in Kent, a specimen of the timberman has reached me for identification. It may be remembered that a description of this beetle appeared in August last. It measures about half an inch in length and is about half an inch broad. Its colour is of a tawny brownish colour, thickly clothed with greyish, short, fine hairs. The enormous length of the antennae is its most noticeable feature. In the female these are twice the length of the body, while in the male they often exceed four times the length of its body. Its popular name has been assigned to it for two reasons. In the first place, it is found in the proximity of timber, usually Scotch pine, and the chief reason is that its antennae resemble the dividers used by timber merchants when calculating the measurements of a piece of wood. It is seldom that the timberman is found south of Scotland, and in the present case, no doubt, came from that country in wood brought from there.

A correspondent of Malta has asked me to give a few notes on the magpie. I am further prompted to give a note on this interesting bird by the fact that the most beautiful of the crow tribe—of late its numbers have been so sadly diminished, making its appearance in many parts quite a rare occurrence, owing to persecution by game-preservers and the clearing away of timber from the wooded districts. The black and white plumage and the long tail enable one to easily distinguish it from any of our other birds. It is chiefly glossy black, with purple and green reflections. The rump is whitish grey, the quill feathers mostly white, the abdomen snow-white, and the bill and feet black. The sexes are alike, except that the female is slightly smaller and duller than the male. The young, too, only differ in that they are less glossy than the adults. The magpie is not migratory, but is distributed generally throughout the northern hemisphere.

Like all the other members of the crow tribe the magpie is a very mixed feeder, with a decided preference for animal food. Its chief food consists of worms, insects, eggs, young birds, mice, fruit, acorns and grain. In the destruction of insects and mice it, of course, confers a benefit upon us, but it is on account of the eggs broken and young birds killed that the game-keepers wage war against it.

Where unmolested, it will frequently nest, like the rook, close to the habitations of man. Unlike the rook, however, it is usually to be seen singly or in pairs, although occasionally, where they are unmolested, they may be seen together. The magpie breeds but once in the year, usually constructing its nest about the end of March in the outer branches of a tree (often an ash) or in hawthorn hedges on the outskirts of a plantation. The nest is built of twigs and lined with moss and hair. The eggs are white, spotted with brown, and are laid, both male and female, doing their share of the duties of incubation. When kept in captivity it is exceedingly interesting on account of its mischievous and thieving habits. Many also will learn to talk.

In the additions to the Zoo of a fortnight ago may have been noticed two eye-eyes. These creatures possess several peculiarities and are exceedingly interesting. They were first discovered by the French naturalist, Sonnerat, in 1758. Until the year 1859 they were a puzzle to naturalists; then Sir Richard Owen pointed out that, although differing in many ways from the lemurs, they must be classed as aberrant lemurs. The eye-eyes are found only in the forests of Madagascar, and owing to the fact that the natives believe that anyone touching them will die within a year, they are hard to obtain. When a tribe larger than the domestic cat, the body and tail being of equal

length, and the whole measuring a little over three feet. The fur is of a dusky brown with grey hairs scattered through it. The tail is thick and bushy, the eyes large and the ears pointed and directed forwards. One great peculiarity is the teeth, which resemble those of the rodents, each jaw possessing a pair of chisel-like incisors in front, with blunt cheek teeth behind. Another peculiarity is the great length of its fingers and toes, the fourth in each case being the largest and longest, with the third very slender. In no animal are the adaptations to serve special purposes more apparent. Its large membranous ears enable it to hear the wood-boring larvae, which form part of its diet, at work; its chisel-like teeth to tear the bark from trees, and the slender middle finger to secure the larvae from their tunnelling.

The additions to the Zoological Society's Gardens for the week ending Sept. 27, include:—Mammals: 1 Patagonian, 1 black-eared marmoset, and 1 red-footed lemur. Birds: 6 white-throated pigeons, and 1 crowned crane. Reptiles: 1 gaboon viper, 3 grass snakes, 1 red-and-black snake, 1 long-nosed snake, 2 testaceous snakes, 4 Mexican snakes, 1 Couper's snake, 1 alligator, 1 sharp-nosed crocodile, 2 bullfrogs, 2 giant toads, and 2 smooth-clawed toads.

## OLD IZAAK.



October, although at times not free from unexpected and disastrous gales, is one of the finest months of the year for fresh water fishing, and sea fishing is usually at about its best. Pike, perch, chub, and roach, not to mention trout and dace, should now afford a bountiful sport, and the sea-fisher will find cod, pollack, bass, whiting, plaice, and flat fish plentiful whenever conditions favour for taking them. It is true cold easterly winds, lasting for some days, may occur near the second or third week, but these are counterbalanced by a mild and exhilarating period commonly happening about the 18th (St. Luke's Day), to which the name of St. Luke's summer has been given.

Thames anglers have enjoyed excellent sport of late at nearly all stations. Some fine gudgeons have been taken in the tidal water at Twickenham, good baskets of roach and bream have been had at Chertsey, and Mr. Moor, out with Sylvestre, at Staines, had three fine chub and some barbel, the three former weighing 4lb. 5jz, 3lb. 3jz, and 2lb. 5jz, respectively. The Staines and Egham A.S. fished the Chertsey A.S. for a cup on Sunday last in Dunsey Deep, Staines winning with 4lb. 5jz, against Chertsey's 2lb. 10jz, which makes them even, the final match coming off at Twickenham on the last Sunday in the month. Carp scaling up to 5lb. 10jz. have been taken at Walton, and roach and chub at Hurley and Reading. A pike of 14lb. has been landed from the Sunex Ouse at Barcombe Mills. Prospects are fairly good in the Arun, Medway and Huddersfield Ouse, but rain would in most cases be beneficial.

Sea anglers are everywhere enjoying sport, particularly along the south coast, and everything promises well for the Ramsgate and Great Yarmouth Sea Angling Festivals, both of which are now in full swing. That at Ramsgate closes to-morrow (Monday) and Great Yarmouth on Saturday. The latter follows on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday next (Oct. 10-12) with its competition from the pier, and good catches should certainly be had. Fishing is improving in the vicinity, and several nice codling and strings of dabs, plaice, soles, and eels have been taken from the jetty at Margate, and large quantities of similar fish have been caught by boat anglers within a mile from the shore, including one plaice weighing 2lb. 10jz—a splendid fish. The silver whiting have arrived at Deal, dogfish of large size have been caught off Hastings, and, given favourable weather, sea fishing will soon be at its best all round.

Many representative anglers made a pilgrimage to Deal on the occasion of the ladies' angling competition, so well organised by Mrs. Percy Edger, which took place on the well-known pier there last week. The weather was not altogether good, yet more than 50 ladies entered the lists, and the fishing was very keenly watched. Over 60lb. of fish was brought to the scales, of which Miss Band and Mrs. Edger were the winners. Mrs. Edger and Mrs. Percy Edger came Hupman and Mrs. Goodwin, Miss B. Walker, Mrs. Manico, Miss Hussey, Miss Dodd, and Mrs. Hyde were also among the successful competitors in one or other of the classes for which prizes were offered, the prizes being graciously distributed by Lady George Hamilton at the close of the contest. The day's proceedings terminated with the lady's vote of thanks to her ladyship, proposed by Mr. Arthur Wise, J.P. (vice chairman Deal and Walmer A.S.), an equally deserving compliment being paid to Mrs. Edger, for whose untiring efforts the success of the competition (the third of its kind) is mainly due.

I managed to give a look in at Southend in the course of the three days' sea-fishing festival organised by the local association, in which over 500 anglers took part, a fact which speaks volumes for the popularity of the contest and the good management attending it. The magnificent trophy shield still remains in the hands of the society, having been won for them by Mr. W. H. Smith with 12lb. of fish. Mr. W. W. Wilkins (also of the S.A.S.) came next with 11lb. 10jz, followed by Mr. F. E. Wilkins (also of the S.A.S.) with 10lb. 10jz. Mr. F. L. Whalley (S.A.S.) secured the Pier Cup with 2lb. and the special ladies'

prize was won by Mrs. Grieve (unattached) with 2lb. of fish. About 140lb. of fish were taken by the boat anglers on Sunday last, and that total was no doubt exceeded on other days. An eel weighing nearly 1lb. and a flounder of 1lb. 6jz, were among the fish then taken. The prizes were distributed on Monday evening by his worship the Mayor (Adl. J. C. Ingram) at a capital bohemian concert held at the Palace Hotel, and great credit is due to Messrs. O. M. Howard and A. H. Hawkes (hon. secretaries) for the admirable arrangements made. The festival was a success throughout.

Central Association delegates are reminded of their monthly meeting, which takes place at the Nag's Head Hotel, James-st., Covent Garden, to-morrow (Monday) evening, at 9 o'clock sharp when "Old Isaac," as president, will occupy the chair. Several items of importance will come before the meeting, and the team which so worthily represented the association in the all-England competition at Tydd are likely to be present. The second round of the competition for the Association Challenge Cup came off on Sunday last, and I note that the Blackfriars Anglers, who were the winners of the trophy last year, still hold their own in the contest. A slight change in the train service to Pulborough and Amberley is announced for the winter months, the Sunday morning trains for these stations leaving Victoria at 8.30 a.m., and London Bridge at 8.25 a.m. The return trains on Sundays now are Amberley 7.14 p.m., Pulborough 5.55 p.m. and 7.24 p.m., and Victoria 5.53 p.m. The times of the earlier morning trains to Pulborough and Fittleworth remain unaltered.

Among coming events may be noted the annual Exhibition of Sea-Fishing Tackle, organised by the British Sea Anglers' Society, which will be held at Clifford's Inn Hall, Fleet-st., E.C., opening at noon on Wednesday, Oct. 7, and remaining so daily afterwards from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. until Oct. 14 inclusive. Admission is free by ticket, to be obtained from the secretary of the British Sea Anglers' Society, at 4, Fetter-lane, Fleet-st., E.C., or from any of the tackle makers exhibiting. The Watford Piscatorial Society propose to hold shortly an exhibition of fishing tackle and specimens fish caught in the Colne and elsewhere, and with the co-operation of their members, many of whom have exceptional samples, a very creditable and interesting display is assured. The City of London Piscatorial Society have an outing to Leigh on Tuesday next, Oct. 6, and Mr. McIntosh will read a paper before the society at their meeting at Mason's Hall Tavern on the evening of that day.

## THE LOSS OF THE ARGONAUT.

It is not alone when wild winds roar and lightning rend the sky, when breakers thunder on the shore and seas run mountains high—Not then alone is danger near. The storm-tossed ocean speck may rather all and end, and no fear Of being hurled to wreck.

But in the crowded waterway That skirts our Southern coast, Where ships are hasting day by day, The danger threatens most. The sea may like a millpond be, But in the white mist veiled, A craft may well be hid, and be in clearer waters sailed.

I often hear the syrens sing From morning till the night, Yes on the sea no living thing Has ever all day in sight. They feel their way amid the throng That passes to and fro, And with little but that strident song To guide them as they go.

Then suddenly a huge sharp prow Looks high above the deck— A grinding crash upon the bow And nought is left but wreck. There may be time to launch a boat— But if the fog is thick and dense, If not men's corpses soon will float Upon the silent sea.

Thus thus the Argonaut was lost In the still morning light, Not by a sudden tempest tossed, For calm had been the night, But in the fog her bows were riven— She settled by the head. Ay me! "Tis only thanks to Heaven We need not mourn the dead.

The crew at once to quarters went, As English sailors would, To save all hands their own intent They hurried to the rescue. They manned the davits, where there hung The boats along the side; "Lower away!" the boats were swung Down to the Channel tide.

"The women first"—the stern sharp cry Was given, and obeyed. And women showed that they could try Not even to seem afraid. The men came next, pale-faced I guess If they the peril knew. The sailors last, the captain—Yes, In rear of all his crew.

There was no time, I think, to spare. Or they'd have tried to save The ship and crew who perished there, But all that mortal men could do I know was fully done. And I'd be proud of such a crew— Brave fellows every one.

You know the rest—the transference On to the Kingswest's deck. But shortly to be buried thence Let's hope should prove a wreck. And into Dover brought— All saved, thank God, the people when They lost the Argonaut.

Sept. 30th, 1908. MADON ST. MACRY.

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## THE ABODE OF LOVE. A CRASH IN THE FOG.

## MARRIAGE OF A YOUNG SERVANT.

## PICOTT INTERVIEWED.

Two residents in "The Abode of Love"—otherwise the Agapemone, the headquarters of the arch-hypocrite, Smyth-Pigott, and his deluded followers—were married this week at Bridgewater Registry Office. The bride, Hannah Link by name, is an extremely beautiful girl, who has been a servant at the Agapemone for some time. Her father is a retired ship's steward, now in Cardiff Workhouse. It is stated that very shortly after the girl's arrival at Spaxton, young Read, who is a fine handsome fellow of 21, fell desperately in love with her, and ardently pressed his suit, which was accepted. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. Chas. Sticker Road, M.A. of Trinity College, Cambridge, who until the autumn of 1905 was a director of the V.V. (Vis Vite) Bread Co., Ltd.

**A Cambridge "Blue."**  
The story of the Reads is one of the tragedies of the Agapemone. The father, Mr. C. S. Read, at Cambridge was a famous oarsman, and he rowed in the University Boat Race in 1872, when Oxford were beaten in a heavy storm. He rowed with the winning Cantab in 1873 and 1874, and left the University with a distinguished career alike in the boats and the schools. He became a member of the Stock Exchange, married and settled down, with a large house at Clapton, and another in Essex. His wife was a charming and accomplished woman, and he had a large family of sons and daughters.

**The Riot at Clapton.**  
In 1902 there was a riot at the Church of the Ark of the Covenant at Clapton Common owing to Pigott having declared himself the Messiah. Mr. and Mrs. Read decided to throw in their lot with the Spaxton community, and took their two youngest daughters and their son John, the bridegroom in this case, down with them. There was no lack of funds, and they took with them clothes and other property, sufficient to make them comfortable. There were elder children of Mr. Read who refused to adopt the Agapemone creed, and who are not at Spaxton. It was in 1905, on the advent of Pigott's child "Glory," that Mr. Read's connection with the Agapemone became notorious; and this resulted in a special meeting of the shareholders of the V.V. Bread Co. when it was decided to remove him from the directorate. At Spaxton he has acted as secretary to Mr. Pigott. There are about 60 residents at the Agapemone, which is a large house with a chapel and extensive grounds, beautiful lawns, and gardens.

**The Bride.**  
Hannah Link, the bride, went to "The Abode of Love" when she was sixteen. She had been visiting an aunt at Bridgewater, and while there temporary help was required at the Agapemone. Hannah was engaged, and the inmates taking a liking to her, she was offered service. Since then she has dwelt at "The Abode," and has advanced her position to that of "chief cook." Her parents have visited the Agapemone, and Mr. Link had many talks with Pigott, who struck him as "having something queer about him." His wife described the place as a "garden of love," and deprecates the "incorrect statements" made in the Press as to the life of the inmates at the Agapemone. She said its occupants followed a quiet and peaceful life, doing all they could to live up to the Biblical teaching. "There was a service every day, the church service being the one followed, with Hymns A and M." Mrs. Link stated that after the birth of "Glory" a picnic was held up in the Quantock Hills, and a newspaper report stated that Mr. Smyth-Pigott was surrounded by a bevy of fair ladies, and seated in his carriage, was handed tea by a young lady who was beautiful beyond description. "This young lady," added Mrs. Link, "was myself." I was over there for a few days, and was one of the picknickers. I am not young, neither am I beautiful, and moreover, I am the mother of six children.

## Picott interviewed.

On the day of the wedding at Bridgewater Registry Office, Pigott motored to Taunton, where he was cornered by a newspaper representative. Asked about the internal working of the Agapemone, he said:—  
There is nothing to discover. We are ordinary people who live quietly and do not interfere with anyone. It is simply a gentleman's home, with which no law can interfere.

When it was pointed out that the commingling of men and women in such an enclosed place naturally caused comment, Pigott retorted:—  
There is nothing wrong. The inmates are not shut up. They go about in spats and do good to the poor. Ask any person there about us and you will find any one say word against us. And when our neighbours do not complain what right have strangers to try to do us harm? The Agapemone has been conducted on its present lines since the sixties, and no one can point to any blot upon it.

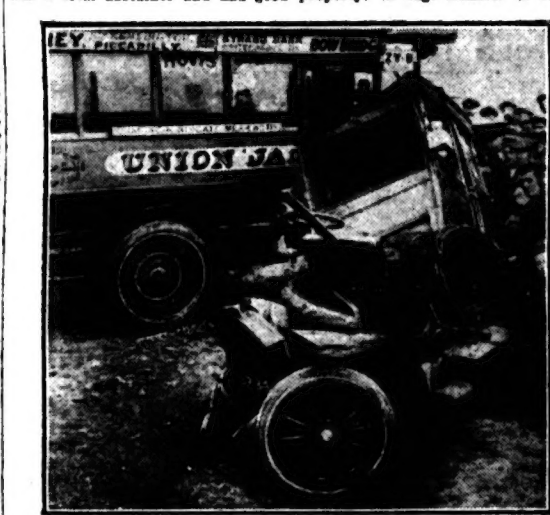
There is, however, growing local indignation at the disreputable presence of "The Abode of Love" in bringing the district into disrepute, and it is an open secret that strong steps are contemplated. Early in the week the foundation-stone of a building which is being erected in the rear of the Agapemone—it is to be the residence of a rich London gentleman who belongs to the sect—was laid with appropriate ceremony. Many of the villagers had entered the adjoining field, under the notice to trespassers, and at the conclusion of the ceremony they were able to see the white-robed inmates file past. In the procession was Sister Ruth, in a bath-chair, and folded in her arms was the infant child Power. Smyth-Pigott was in close attendance.

The chief guests at the Colchester oyster feast on Oct. 20 will be Earl Carrington, Lord Lucas, and the Chinese Ambassador.

## FATAL COLLISION WITH A 'BUS.

## PICOTT INTERVIEWED.

At Mortlake yesterday, Dr. Taylor opened the inquest on the body of Geo. Charles, aged 30, a chauffeur, of Edith-grove, Chelsea, who was killed in a collision which occurred at Barnes Common railway bridge. Deceased was driving his employer, Mr. Alfred Rawlinson, of East Sheen, managing director of the Darracq Co., who was returning from London in a motor brougham, when the vehicle collided with a London Road Car Co.'s motor omnibus. The brougham was wrecked and Charles was thrown under the bus and instantly killed. The road is narrow at the spot where the collision occurred, and a dense fog was prevailing at the time. The coroner said he was unable to proceed with the inquiry, because Mr. Rawlinson, the owner of the car, who was sitting inside it, was now in bed from the effects of the injuries he received. A doctor said he would be able to attend in about a week. Evidence of identification was given by deceased's mother, who said her son was a total abstainer and had good health. He had been driving for about two years.



THE WRECKED MOTOR-BROUGHAM.

**The Mother's Dread.**  
He had frequently been out driving at night. He left home on the West night with his car at half-past eight, and said he had to meet his master at the Savoy Hotel at 11 o'clock, and did not know when he would be home. It was the first time he had seen him in his uniform, and he asked her how he looked. A Juror: Had your son ever complained or spoken about the speed he used to drive Mr. Rawlinson? No. He never said anything about it, because he knew I did not like the idea of it. You had a dread of his calling? Yes, and of all that sort of business. Witness added that her son had his whole heart and soul in his work, and was anxious to get on. Dr. Ottway said he was called to the scene of the accident about six o'clock in the morning. Deceased was lying on his right side dead, with his head in a pool of blood. His skull was fractured in two places, and both jaws and the nose were broken. Death was due to shock, and must have been instantaneous. In answer to a juror, the doctor said the injuries were caused by deceased being thrown on the ground. His head was under one of the bus wheels, but the wheel had not gone over him. In adjourning the inquest, the coroner said he thought it advisable that Mr. Rawlinson should be present when the two men who were on the bus gave evidence. They were the only persons who saw the collision.

## A BIT OF WILD NATURE.

## THE LAST OF A PICTURESQUE FIGURE.

A picturesque figure was lost to the Yorkshire coast, when Wm. Jackson, alias "Old Penny," died. His will, giving the value of his estate at £200, has just been proved. "Old Penny" was practically the last of sea-shore wild fowling. In storm or sunshine he was always to be found on the cliffs or on the beach. He was a dead shot. Some of the rarest of the feathered visitors to England fell to his gun. He and his gun were a sure, long and lank, he was poorly equipped, but there was something romantic and picturesque in his appearance, so that "Old Penny's" fame spread throughout the surrounding country. Generally he was the first to bring to Filey news of disasters at sea. He it was who found the sole survivor of the Italian barque *Unita* which was lost on Filey Beach.

**TERRIFIED GASTAWAY.**  
Prowling among the rocks in the early morning he came upon the wrecked mariner. The poor seaman was terrified. He had apparently never seen anyone so wild-looking as "Old Penny," and made sure that the man had come to shoot him. He was called "Old Penny" because when hard up he could always manage to find Roman or Early English coins in the cliffs. The local belief is that he had a secret hoard of these and spent them sparingly—so as not to reduce their value. He was 62 when he died. Exposure to the wind and rain killed him in the end.

**AN ACTRESS'S DEATH.**  
The inquest was resumed at Hammer-smith by Mr. Laxmore Drew on the body of Florence Lennie Reed, 28, the wife of an artist, and an actress professionally known as Maud Courtney. Deceased was separated from her husband at the previous hearing, the evidence showing that death was due to blood poisoning, and the opinion of Dr. Bevan the blood poisoning was the result more or less directly of an operation. The woman had stated that she had paid a medical man £10 for performing an illegal act, and it was not the first time it had happened. She declined to give the man's name and address. An open verdict was returned.

## FLOODS IN INDIA.

## THOUSANDS OF LIVES LOST.

Disastrous floods have worked havoc at Hyderabad, the Nizam's capital, and in the surrounding districts. Owing to the heavy and continuous rain the River Musi became abnormally swollen, and eventually burst its banks, carrying devastation in its train. Bridges have been swept away, the hospital and many of its patients were embraced in the rush of waters, and houses were overturned in hundreds like packs of cards. Thousands of people have been either drowned or buried beneath the falling buildings or smashed to death. One estimate puts the loss of life at 50,000 and the damage to property at 13 million pounds. Almost all the Government officials turned out to aid in the work of rescue. Boats were requisitioned, and even elephants employed to rescue the hundreds of wretched natives who were clinging to anything they could grasp.

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## IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL AT MITCHEAM.

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**HONOUR FOR SIR R. HART.**  
The Taunton Town Council has held a special meeting and decided to confer the Honorary Freedom of the Borough upon Sir R. Hart, late Inspector-General of Chinese Customs, in commemoration of his connection with the town as a pupil of Queen's College, formerly the Wesleyan College, and in recognition of his long and distinguished service in China in various high and important positions. It was arranged that the ceremony should take place on the afternoon of Oct. 15.

## LUARD MURDER.

## REMARKABLE LETTER FROM A RELATIVE.

## THE PEOPLE'S AS FOLLOWS:

"It must be admitted that enough, and indeed, too much, has been written in connection with the sad murder of Mrs. Luard, but I feel that it is the duty of any man, who has realised the terrible amount of wanton suffering that has been inflicted by anonymous letter-writers, to do what he can to urge that some means be found whereby these pests can be dealt with."

"At the present moment it would almost seem that anyone of us who, by unusual circumstances, be held in the public eye, is open to the frenzied attacks of any maniac or criminal who can afford to pay for a penny stamp."

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**HONOUR FOR SIR R. HART.**  
The Taunton Town Council has held a special meeting and decided to confer the Honorary Freedom of the Borough upon Sir R. Hart, late Inspector-General of Chinese Customs, in commemoration of his connection with the town as a pupil of Queen's College, formerly the Wesleyan College, and in recognition of his long and distinguished service in China in various high and important positions. It was arranged that the ceremony should take place on the afternoon of Oct. 15.

## ATHLETICS.

## THE STADIUM.

## DIARY OF WINTER GAMES.

All competitions not otherwise noted take place at the Stadium.  
Monday, Oct. 19.—Association football: 1.15 p.m. Hungary v. Holland; 3 p.m. France (B Team) v. Denmark.  
Tuesday, Oct. 20.—Association football: 1.15 p.m. Bohemia v. France (A Team); 3 p.m. United Kingdom v. Sweden.  
Wednesday, Oct. 21.—Association football: International consolation matches.  
Thursday, Oct. 22.—Association football (semi-final): Bohemia of France (A) v. France (B) of Denmark; 3 p.m. United Kingdom of Sweden v. Hungary of Holland.  
Friday, Oct. 23.—Association football: International consolation matches.  
Saturday, Oct. 24.—Lacrosse: 1 p.m. United Kingdom v. Canada. Association football: 3 p.m. Final tie, Olympic competition.  
OCT. 25 TO 31.

Monday, Oct. 26.—Rugby football. Tuesday, Oct. 27.—Rugby football. Boxing at the Northampton Institute, Clarendon, E.C.  
Wednesday, Oct. 28.—Skating at Prince's Rink, Knightsbridge, S.W. Hockey: Germany v. United Kingdom (Scottish); United Kingdom v. France (English); United Kingdom v. Ireland and Welsh Teams, byes.  
Friday, Oct. 30.—Hockey: Semi-final tie.  
Saturday, Oct. 31.—Hockey: Final tie.

## SURREY ATHLETIC CLUB.

## Inter Team Walk.

## Wine for Webb and the Herne Hill M.H.M.

The annual 11½ miles inter-club team walking race, promoted by the Surrey A.C., was decided yesterday in the district of New Malden, Worcester Park, Ewell and district in daylight, though not without weather. The road was in excellent condition, and the journey, nicely shaded by the beautiful foliage. A very large crowd witnessed the start and finish. The race was splendidly fought out, and the pace was very fair all round and generally admired. J. Butler, the champion, went away with the lead, but to the regret of the crowd it was noticed that Webb (the seven miles walking champion) had lost a shoe; and by the time he had replaced it he had lost some 200 yards. So well did he travel, however, that at 1½ miles he had got amongst his men. At 2½ miles the leaders were: A. H. Pateman, J. Butler, C. E. Gunn, T. J. Eaton, A. E. M. Rowlands and W. J. Palmer in the order named. At 3 miles Butler had derived Pateman of the lead. At the half distance Butler was leading Pateman by 200 yards, with Webb walking in grand style only 1½ behind Pateman, followed by J. T. Eaton, E. A. Spencer, W. J. Palmer, B. C. Brown and G. E. Withers. The Herne Hill H.M. team were leading the Poly. H. by 1 point. At 7½ miles Webb caught Butler, and still walking in excellent style, eventually won from Butler by 200 yards. Then came a gap of 2½ miles before the third man, W. J. Palmer, passed the judges. After Palmer, however, the men arrived at close intervals. The team race was again won by the Herne Hill H.M. team by 9 points from the Poly. H. Amongst an able staff of officials may be mentioned E. Knight, H. Gray, E. Ian Pool, J. Andrew, H. W. Innes, H. G. Brockman and F. J. Montague. The individual placings were as follow:—E. J. Webb, H.M. "A" Team, 1hr 32min 3sec; J. Butler, Poly. H., 1hr 33min 3sec; W. J. Palmer, H.M. "A" Team, 1hr 34min 3sec; C. E. Gunn, H.M. "A" Team, 1hr 35min 3sec; A. H. Pateman, United H., 1hr 36min 3sec; T. J. Eaton, Kennington H., 1hr 37min 3sec; W. H. Owens, H.M. "A" Team, 1hr 38min 3sec.

**BLACKHEATH HARRIERS.**  
Fifty members of these harriers assembled at the Green Man, Blackheath Hill, on the occasion of the 41st opening run. P. Turner, who finished first in the novice race was disqualified, as he was found to have won an old boys' race, and the race was awarded to H. Thompson.

**SOUTH MANCHESTER HARRIERS.**  
The cross-country season was opened by the North Manchester Harriers with an open invitation run of about six miles. There were 18 members from eight clubs, the run being from the Bag Lion, Blackley. In the mile run, for which three prizes were offered, A. Jackson, Dukinfield H., beat W. Pickup, Middleton H., the ex-Salford harrier and international runner.

**RANGLASH HARRIERS.**  
For the Ranglash Harriers' opening run from their headquarters, the Green Man, Putney Heath, there were 40 runners. Baskerville finished an easy first in the race home.

**THAMES H. AND M.**  
There was a capital muster of about 30 members at the King's Head, Rotherhithe, when the Thames Harriers and Rowers held their 42nd annual cross-country run, and annual general meeting. Three packs of runners were formed. The majority of them run about seven miles, while Dr. W. G. Grobman, and others contented themselves with a stroll over part of the short distance challenge cup course.

**MOTORING.**  
**BROOKLANDS AUTOMOBILE RACING CLUB.**  
About 1,000 spectators attended the Brooklands Automobile Racing Club's last meeting of the season at Weybridge. Details:—  
**200 YARDS SWEETSTAKES** of 200 yds. each.  
Mr. W. Jochem, 45.5-h.p. Mercedes.  
Mr. H. G. Nelder, 37.5-h.p. Owner 1.  
"Graying" 37.5-h.p. Owner 2.  
Mr. O. S. Thompson, 31.5-h.p. Austin.  
"Pobbe" 31.5-h.p. Owner 3.  
Won by 100yds; 45.5-h.p. Mercedes per hour.  
**THE FIFTH ALL-COMERS' HANDICAP** SWEETSTAKES of 50 yds. each. Distance about 50 miles.  
Mr. Jochem, 45.5-h.p. Mercedes.  
1hr 32min 3sec start. Owner 1.  
Mr. S. Straker, 12.5-h.p. Straker-Squire, 1hr 33min 3sec. Owner 2.  
Mr. R. Fodden 1hr 34min 3sec. Owner 3.  
"Pobbe" 1hr 35min 3sec. Owner 4.  
**THE MOTOR CYCLE HANDICAP PLATE** of 25 yds. Distance about 25 miles.  
Mr. G. Gibson, 5.5-h.p. Triumph.  
Mr. S. O. Clark, 5-h.p. F.N., 2min 30sec start. Owner 1.  
Mr. G. Schink, 2.5-h.p. Owner 2.  
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## ALK OF THE PEOPLE

### Medical Palliatives.

Two very interesting speeches have been made during the past week on a subject which looms larger than anything else at this moment—viz., that of unemployment. Mr. Haldane announced the intention of the Government to give military training to a certain number of young men in the winter, and Mr. McKenna hinted that the construction of hospitals will be hastened forward by the Admiralty. Both these suggestions are excellent, but they are like tending sticking-plaster on a boil, instead of cleansing the system. What want are not temporary measures to relieve the poor, but they may be, but a permanent protection of our workers from unfair competition, and a cessation of attacks on the hospital which provides them with employment.

### The Very Silly Season.

In journalism we all try to be clever in the field, and the halfpenny paper, which has commenced to construct the next Unionist administration a year or two in advance is as subtle as he congratulated on the part which it has obtained from its own creation. It is good to find, however, even possible to have made our congratulations more heartily had the principle of "experts in office" been followed by "experts in politics," for nothing could be more ridiculous to those behind the scenes than some of the suggestions gravely put forward by these amateur statesmen of the "opposition" to the Government, which appear under the heading of a "good list," is too delightful for a politician. It has been compiled by a gentleman signing himself, "Candidate, 1909." A regular political snorter Shipton it appears, for not only can he forecast the date at which the General Election will take place.

### Armchair Prime Ministers.

Doubtless the fact of being a Parliamentary candidate at the next election, in respect, but it hardly, in itself, provides sufficient experience of the atmosphere and feelings of the House of Commons to enable the embryonic M.P. to safely construct a Ministry. Hence, possibly the suggestion that Mr. Geo. Wyndham should succeed Mr. Herbert Asquith as Prime Minister, is required at the same Office who "is able to understand the movements of popular feeling, and also able to resist them," this can only be described as distinctly unkind when applied to the present Chief Secretary, who has resigned because of the Devonport strike. Mr. Wyndham is one of our most brilliant after-dinner speakers, but his powers of "resistance" are not considered remarkable in the House of Commons.

### Apprenticeship in Politics.

The line taken by several of the correspondents is that Cabinet Ministers should be technical experts, but, as a matter of fact, the advocates of this system forget the fact that to be a successful Minister a man must be a Parliamentary expert. Statecraft in politics is a business requiring as much apprenticeship as any other business. A soldier or sailor who is a past master in his craft would be rolled out flat in debate directly he tried to sound his case. To be able to handle the House of Commons needs years of experience in political life, a very special Parliamentary education. Hence the recent system of appointing politicians advised by technical experts.

### No Dissolution Yet.

Everything seems to indicate that the long tenacity of Mr. H. B. Gladstone in sticking to the same Office, after every effort has been made by the Prime Minister to remove him (including the offers of a peerage and a governorship) is going to be repeated by the Cabinet in holding on to office in spite of the fact that the country is sick of them. I heard of a dinner two or three weeks ago at a London club, when two Ministers were present, at which the subject was freely discussed, and the idea of a dissolution next year was simply ridiculed.

### The Curse of Cromlix.

Cromlix House, where the King is anchored on the occasion of his recent visit to Dunblane, was made over to Mr. Jack Hay Drummond by his father, Col. Hay Drummond, who is a uncle of the present Lord Kinnaird. Cromlix, is one of the many properties which does not go with the baronies, and descended to a younger son. It is however, a very questionable thing, since there is a curse upon the possessor of the lands. They were originally taken from a monastery, and the tradition runs that Cromlix can never descend in the direct line. This tradition has been most remarkably fulfilled in the case of the present owner, both of whose sons have died.

### An Embarrassing Situation.

Sir Frank Lascelles, the ex-British ambassador at Berlin, is apparently of opinion that there is a place likely to be, since he has announced his intention of settling in London and London again crossing the Channel. If Sir Frank adheres to this intention with grim determination it will create a gap among the habits of Home Office, where he has taken the place for many years, and was one of the best-known and most popular figures in the spriggy. Our very much a personate with the Kaiser, who used to pay him visits at all sorts of odd hours, and on one occasion he had to receive his Imperial Majesty at 6 a.m. in a pyjamas.

### Kills in Parliament.

Talking of costumes, it will be remembered that some heat and much wrath was produced last session by the refusal of the Black Rod to allow the friend of Mr. Huxton, Mr. How, to appear in the gallery of the House of Lords in a kilt. Interesting therefore, is an article in the "Leisure Hour" of 1870 congratulating Lord Huntly on the nationality which he displayed in moving the address in the House of Lords clad in kilt and bagpipes. During the last session, too, the kilt was worn on at least two occasions in Parliament—the first by Mr. Campbell M.P. for Argyllshire and the second by Lord Glenconner on the benches of the Peers.

WIDE AWAKE.















By **ADAM**

get strong. The early spring is the

**Japan: *Anemone*.** The White and Red varieties of *Anemone Japonica* are very beautiful now; they are, in fact, among the best of the hardy flowers. They are not so easily grown and propagated—a hundred may easily be made from one old plant by cutting up the thick fleshy roots into small pieces, each an inch or so in length and sowing them like seeds in boxes, and place in gentle heat till the roots are well started. The seedling harden off and plant in nursery bed to

**Wintering Tender Plants Without a Greenhouse.**  
The best place is the bathroom, where hot water is laid on. If aelives can be arranged round the sides of the bath, and no dirt or mess created by watering Geraniums and similar plants requires but little water in winter. The next place is the spare room, if there is one, and lastly we have the kitchen window and stands in passages or where there is room. Their management must be a labour of love, otherwise there will be failures.

**SWIFT BRIN.**—Based the Sweet Brin, or *S. maritima*, which is found only in the salt marshes of the coast. It is a small plant, growing only by the sea, and is very common in the salt marshes of the coast. It is a small plant, growing only by the sea, and is very common in the salt marshes of the coast. It is a small plant, growing only by the sea, and is very common in the salt marshes of the coast.

The letters C and S are private trade marks. Ironmongers generally stock the American tools. The tools are made in the U.S.A. and are of the best quality. I wish to plant flowers here, but have not incurred it yet. I have not time to do so. It is necessary and broken up deeply. You may plant Christmas, Pinks, and pretty well all kinds of flowers. I have planted a few in the garden of October and early in November you may plant Roses or any flowering shrubs you may wish for, such as Lilacs, Laburnums, Thorns, and Vines. I have also planted a few climbing plants. Vetchi clings to the wall and Hederae grows faster and faster: about Rose Hedges I will cover a large space and I hope they will be very good. I have planted it. It is specially bright in autumn. (Clematis Montana grows fast and produces from white star shaped flowers in June. In the kitchen garden I have planted a few more.)

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**E. C.**—You should get \$5. per week.

**M. M. (Barnesian).**—You are entitled.

**MARK.**—This does not affect her claim.

**KNOCK.**—They both seem entitled. The Government will fix the amount.

**KEVIN MOTHER.**—The applicant entitled to weekly, and should make a claim.

**KINGSTON.**—See answer to "A Conscience."

**E. FLANNERY.**—Her birth might be registered at Somerset House, no search should be made there. In claiming she should state the place of her birth.

**KAY.**—The father that you live free and have three sons living with you contribute to the upkeep of the household certainly be taken into account if it will be worth the cost of the month and lodging received free of charge. If they claim the whole of greater value than £21 10s., no pension would be given.

**F. H.**—Yes, she will get the £5.

**FRANK.**—You can both claim. The Government will give a pension of £10.

**F. O. T.**—We do not think she is entitled.

**RHE.**—Is being entirely maintained at home, and also receives voluntary contributions from friends. In view of this would not be worth the cost of the month, but the Pension Committee will decide.

**GOUGHAN.**—On the facts stated, you are entitled weekly.

**GOVERN.**—On the facts stated, you are entitled to £3 weekly.

**G. S. M.**—If he is receiving parish relief, you are not entitled to a pension.

**H. A.**—You can claim now if you are 78, or will attain that age by Jan. 1 next.

**M. L. H.**—Your mother should get £10 weekly.

**E. M.**—She is entitled, and will get £5 week, or such lesser amount as the Pension Committee may decide.

**HORNER.**—If your wife means to desert you, you have considered £10 10s. appears to be the case, then he will not get anything.

**HILL.**—A claim will be placed on the Government, and if the Pension Committee thought to be worth less than £21 per annum then she would get something, but not otherwise.

**HUGHES.**—A claim made since the birth is not registered at Somerset House, if not so registered, the marriage certificate should be produced, and a statement made by the Registrar of Births and Deaths.

**INVESTIGATOR.**—It should be included in Gordon's (HORNER).—You can claim 1 year, and so also can your wife.

**J. W. M.**—You are not eligible.

**C. Y.**—You are not eligible.

**JOHN FLOWER.**—The local Pacifist Office.

**J. W. H. L.**—Yes, we think you can get it.

**Yes, the Government will not expect her anything. We do not think we will give anything, but your wife would.**

**L. HERRICK.**—We are afraid it disqualifies you from getting the pension before the 1st of 1911.

**LEWIS MOTHER.**—You should both claim, your wife will no doubt get £5 weekly, and you will with decide if you are entitled to anything.

**KNEWELL.**—Her yearly means seem to amount £7, which would entitle her to a week. Any board and lodging, however small, would disqualify her.

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WAMMAN.

## MOTORTING.

### Four-inch Race.

A four-inch race has passed off the appalling catastrophes which people predicted. At the same time, it has been a very good race. Now. There is no doubt that the event on the public road is the test of a car's qualities, but the price there is an unnecessary too price. There is an undoubtedly comprehensible antipathy to racing among the people at large, and a very definite amount of dislike to the conditions of racing from serious mishap was due to track in many cases during the of the recent race, and several of the consequences. If a smash can over-eld. Meld. The Humber driver, I'm could happen to anyone, for I'm thinking that this driver, on 100 miles trial, was the best I had ever seen of the perfect man. At this trial there was, as a high speed motor, but Mr. Meld had a little of the foreigner when he got on with his machine that he did not associate him with a motor car. Yes his was the worst in the race!

### English Win.

It is not so that, even if we can't big car Continental road races, the English are the foreigners when it comes to running machines of engine dimensions. The Hutton is typically a home-made production, and would for it is evident that Mr. Napier, the builder of the engines, does not know about engines is not worth worrying. There is a deal of mystery about these home-made engines, but it has it that they had a couple of inches in the race—something between 1 and 255 mm. It really is marvellous to see that revolutions per minute can now be beaten by home-made engines. It just shows what work has been made quite ridiculous in the matter of balancing and the reciprocating parts.

### Two Victories.

Two victories with long strokes recorded by another most striking proof of this type of machine. The Coupe Tropic, organised by the French Motor Club, and the Sinalre race, second and third. I fancy it must constitute a record for any class. The limit bore for single races was 100 mm., and this the French car won, and 100 mm. I really marvel to me is that these things thump themselves to hits with tremendous piston travel. I am not sure that the 125 mm make more than it quite on these lines. My little Sinalre has a bore of 120 mm. and a stroke of 130 mm. and no car could be so comfortable and free from vibration as an engine reason in the car.

### Paris in November.

This year's Olympia show has been a take place from Nov. 13 to 21. It is not possible to be glad that the duration of the show is of considerable length. The French men

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## "THE PEOPLE" MIXTURE.

## PARAGRAPHS FROM ALL PARTS.

In London 2,178 births and 1,225 deaths were registered last week.

The births were 221, and the deaths 95 below the average numbers in the corresponding weeks of the previous five years.

The annual death-rate from all causes, which had been 13.5, 13.3, and 13.9 per 1,000 in the preceding three weeks, was 13.5 last week.

The 1,225 deaths included 13 from measles, three from scarlet fever, 13 from diphtheria, eight from whooping-cough, 10 from enteric fever, and 98 from diarrhoea.

Different forms of violence caused 53 deaths. Of these 17 were cases of suicide, while the remaining 36 deaths were attributed to accident or negligence.

In Greater London 3,414 births and 1,666 deaths were registered. Allowing for increase of population, those numbers are 321 and 208 below the respective averages in the corresponding weeks of the previous five years.

The deaths registered last week in 76 great towns of England and Wales corresponded to an annual rate of 13.2 per 1,000 of their aggregate population, which was estimated at 16,241,932 persons in the middle of this year.

Jewellery and precious stones to the value of £4,000 have been stolen from the well-known firm of Silbermann Frères, of the Rue des Francs Bourgeois, Paris.

Thrown from his horse at the Hertfordshire agricultural ploughing competition at Sturridge Hall Farm, Sawbridgeworth, Mr. J. L. Kirby, trainer of Shannon Lane, winner of the Grand National in 1902, sustained a dislocated thigh.

**LORD IVAGH'S GIFT TO DUBLIN.**  
Lord Ivagh has presented "Pretty Jennie Bond," by G. F. Watts, R.A.; "Lilies," by Sir J. Millais, P.R.A.; and "A View in Venice," by J. M. W. Turner, to the Dublin Municipal Gallery of Modern Art.

**A YOUNG MAN'S FLIGHT.**  
A young man of Vienna who thoughtlessly promised his aged aunt that he would never part with any treasures she might bequeath to him, now finds at her death that he has taken upon himself the care of 36 cats.

**"WROUGHT FOR SIR ARTHUR."**  
I was wrought for Sir Arthur Wm. Becker, D.Sc., F.R.S., on his retirement from the principality of the University of London, to mark the affectionate esteem of the officers and staff, is the inscription on a rose-bowl presented to Sir Arthur Becker.

A ferret was found in the pocket of a man who was fined at Stratford for fowl stealing.

A large tooth was laid by a woman on the front of the witness-box at Brentford Police Court as evidence of an assault.

Damage estimated at £7,000 was caused by a fire at premises in Queen Victoria-st. occupied by seven different firms.

In consequence of an outbreak of glanders at Olive's Farm, Dunmow, nine heavy draught horses were shot under the Diseases of Animals Act and their carcasses cremated.

The number of Continental passengers who have passed through Dover this year exceeds by nearly 40,000 the number during the first nine months of last year, when the traffic also showed a great increase.

David Kirby, father of the little girl Madge Kirby, who disappeared from her home in January, and whose body was found in a cellar in Liverpool, has died from collapse following the tragedy.

The attendance at physical culture classes in Leeds has been so small, the entries for the September term have been to very meagre, that the authorities have decided to abandon the classes.

Mme. Belts, of Temesvár, Hungary, is suing a man for libel because he maintains that his wife, who had been an invalid for some time, died after a visit Mme. Belts paid her in her new autumn hat.

**AN ANCIENT DRESS.**  
There has just come into the possession of Mr. O. L. Richards, of El Reno (U.S.A.), a costly dress, which had been in the possession of one Cherokee Indian family for 127 years, and which has adorned no fewer than 40 brides.

**GETTING RID OF THE EVIDENCE.**  
A man arrested at Yarmouth on a charge of uttering counterfeit coin had on him a "Bank of Engraving" £5 note. This was placed on a table, and a moment or two later it had disappeared. A detective told the magistrate that while his back was turned the prisoner ate it.

**A CRUEL MURDER.**  
Edgar Hines, hawker of Chatham, who was summoned at Rochester for cruelty to a pony, was said to have struck the animal so unmercifully with a whip that the animal screamed with pain. Hines had been twice previously convicted of cruelty. The bench let him off with a fine of 20s. and costs, and allowed him time to pay.

The Hon. Gerald Wilson, youngest son of the first Lord Nunburnholme, and brother of the present peer, has died in Paris.

Sir E. Boyle, M.P., has informed the vicar of the newly-formed living of Hurst Green, Sussex, that he intends to give a donation of £1,000 to increase the value of the benefice.

Barnstable Town Council installed Lord Clinton as high steward of the borough in succession to his uncle, the late Hon. Mark Rolle. The office was created in the reign of James I.

At Portsmouth dockyard a coal-heaver, Chas. Cripps, was going on board a lighter when he was struck in the stomach by a coal-bucket swinging from a crane. He died at the hospital.

Fdk. Tippler was discharged from the Nottingham County Asylum as cured, but while on his way home with his wife and daughter he threw himself in front of a train at Radcliffe Station and was killed.

Col. Leslie, brother-in-law of the rector, was taken ill at a service at the church at Lynton, near Sudbury, and expired. Deceased gentleman was aged 50, and returned home from India but a few weeks ago.

Dermot O'Brien, an organiser of the United Irish League, was arrested at Lisdoonvarna in connection with recent cattle driving in the district, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment in default of giving bail for his good behaviour.

Lord Lansdowne will open the autumn exhibition at the White-chapel Art Gallery on Oct. 22. The exhibition will illustrate the art and life of the Mahometan peoples in various countries, particularly Turkey, Persia, Egypt, and Morocco.

The Devonshire Memorial Committee is obtaining the consent of the Office of Works and the Commissioner of Police to the Devonshire Memorial being erected on the site at the junction of Horse Guards-av. and Whitehall.

**SUBSTITUTE FOR COAL.**  
According to the Washington Bureau of Manufactures, a Galician engineer has invented a compound of crude petroleum, cinders, and sand, which may be used instead of coal.

**£8,625 LICENSE COMPENSATION.**  
At a meeting of the Surrey County Licensing Committee at Kingston £8,625 15s. was awarded as compensation for the extinction of eight licensed houses in the county. The highest amount to be paid for one house is £258 for the Spread Eagle, Hill-st., Richmond.

**BRIDEGROOM OF 88 YEARS.**  
At the age of 88 years, Capt. Thos. Mitchell, who was formerly in the merchant service, has been married for the fourth time at Carlton, near Selby, his bride being a Hull lady some years his junior. The bridal pair were greeted by the villagers on leaving the church with showers of rice.

Mr. Lord will act as judge at the Southern Colliery Club Show at Harrow.

The estate of the late Canon Fleming has been valued for probate at £7,215. He left all his property to his daughter, Grace Frances Fleming.

As the art of "smiling when the customer approaches" is regarded as vital to those who would succeed in business, it is in future to be taught in United States public schools.

The Town Council of Devonport have issued an official guide to the town. It is well illustrated from photographs, and is packed with interesting information.

Insp. Green, of the R.S.P.C.A., who is stationed at Redhill, recently took home two stray dogs. One of them broke his chain and killed 25 of the inspector's prize poultry.

A man, named Leonard Holmes, who was committed for trial at Wigan, was alleged to have represented himself to be a Government inspector, whose duty it was to obtain a fee of 5s. from those newly started in business.

Fined £2 at Windsor for driving a motor-car at 31 miles an hour, a chauffeur said he had Americans in the car, and as they were out by the hour they hurried him on. If he did not please them he would get no tip, and he had to rely largely on tips for his wages.

Four Paris cubmen who recently visited London, under the auspices of the Paris Municipal Council, to observe English methods have returned to France deeply impressed with the excellent condition of London cab and omnibus horses, which compare most favourably with the Parisian animals.

**A BUSY PEER.**  
Lord Brassey, presiding at a meeting of the Beahill Town Council, notified his intention of not accepting office as mayor next year, owing to his duties in the House of Lords and the claims made upon his time by his post of Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports.

**GOLDEN WEDDING.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Leslie-Melville, of Bransford Hall, near Lincoln, have just celebrated their golden wedding. The day's proceedings included the planting of two trees in the park, where two flourishing trees, an oak and an elm, record the fact that Mr. Melville's parents also lived to celebrate their golden wedding.

**RAT CRUSADE.**  
A statement by the secretary of the Watton and District Rat and Snake Club, which embraces the parishes of Watton, Merton, Carbrooke, Threton, Cressingham, Thompson, Baham Toney, Ovington, Tottington, and Rocklands, shows that, as the result of its first six months' work in the extermination of farm pests, there have been destroyed 4,320 rats, 12,869 sparrows, and 7,179 eggs, a grand total of 24,368.

The price of house coal in South Yorkshire has been increased by 1s. per ton.

The Dublin Fusiliers at Khartoum, and the Goldstream Guards at Cairo, will change stations in November.

The Commonwealth Government has agreed to grant a subsidy for the purpose of sending an Australian team to next year's Bixley meeting.

Mr. McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, is to be the principal guest at the Cutlers' Feast at Sheffield on Oct. 29.

Sitting at Leigh (Lancashire), the revising barrister held that if a man paid back relief received during the qualifying period he was entitled to a vote.

Missing from his home at Sheffield, a five-year-old boy named Frederic (Gus) was found at Chesterfield, 12 miles away, where he had followed a travelling wild beast show going to Nottingham.

A bronze bust of the Recorder of Chester (Sir Horatio Lloyd) was unveiled at the Chester Town Hall in the presence of a large gathering of citizens, the occasion being Sir Horatio's 75th birthday.

The Rev. J. E. Rattenbury will hold services at the Lyceum Theatre at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. to-day (Sunday). If he succeeds in filling the theatre, which can seat 5,000 persons, Mr. Rattenbury will have the largest congregation in the world.

The vicar and churchwardens of Allhallows, Barking, by the Tower, the parish church of West-lane and the Corn Exchange are inviting parishioners connected with the corn dealers to join in a service of thanksgiving for the harvest to-morrow (Monday) at 1.15 p.m.

The Congress of the International Association of Literature and Art at Mainz passed a resolution requesting the various Governments to obtain at the Berne Convention a copyright for newspapers and periodicals, and also for telegraphic and telephonic communications.

**A BOY'S FOLLY.**  
"An act unworthy of an English boy" was the Reigate Bench's comment on the attempted suicide of Wm. Lifford, a baker's boy, aged 14, who was found in a tank of water at Kingwood.

**IRVING MEMORIAL.**  
The house in which Sir Henry Irving was born at Keinton Mandeville, Somerset, has been purchased by Mr. E. Jardine, the prospective Unionist candidate for E. Somerset, to be preserved as a memorial to the great actor.

**FINED FOR SILENCE.**  
The first case under the Australian Industries Preservation Act, better known as the Anti-Trust Act, was heard at Melbourne, when the shipping firm of Huddart, Parker, and Co. was indicted for refusing to answer certain questions bearing on the existence of an alleged Shipping Trust. A fine of £5 was inflicted.

At a fire which occurred in Desmond's Yard, Cork, 18 horses were burned alive, while two had to be shot to end their sufferings.

The family of Jno. May, who was committed to the sessions at Willesden were said to have cost the ratepayers £271 for maintenance.

At Hammersmith an inquest was held on Wm. Molladina, 72, clerk, who was run over by a van in Shepherd's Bush-rd. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Students now at German universities number 47,799. In commenting on these figures Berlin newspapers express alarm at the overcrowding of the learned professions.

Complaints at the Fulwood Workhouse regarding lack of shaving facilities led to a strike of inmates. Two of the strikers were sent to prison at Preston for refractory conduct.

A mass meeting convened by the National Union of Clerks is to be held in Brockwell Park this (Sunday) afternoon on the question of female labour. Mr. Victor Albery will preside.

Valued at £20,000, the huge floating grain elevator, which broke adrift from a tug while being towed from this country to Montreal, has been picked up by a trawler and towed into Stormont.

A novel form of advertising has been adopted by a firm of East Pinchley builders, who have caused a model of one of their houses, on which is set forth its price and other advantages, to be paraded in the streets of the northern suburb.

"Just open your teeth when you speak," said Mr. Thomas, the South-west deputy coroner to a police witness. "You speak with your teeth closed like this (giving an imitation). Many policemen got so in the habit of holding up their hands and not speaking that they forgot how to talk."

**GIFTS TO NEW ZEALAND PREMIER.**  
Members of the Upper House of the New Zealand Legislature have presented Sir J. Ward with a silver desert service to celebrate his political coming of age, and the Ministers and secretaries have also made a presentation to the Premier.

**FRENCH VESSEL TO THE RESCUE.**  
The Board of Trade have awarded a binocular glass to Auguste Louis Lageste, master of the French steam trawler Maris Stella, of Boulogne, in recognition of his services to the shipwrecked crew of the British s.s. Mount Lebanon, of Glasgow, which was abandoned in the North Atlantic Ocean on Aug. 23.

**SUICIDE AT 18.**  
Alfred Herbert Angel, aged 18, was found dead suspended by the neck in an outbuilding on a gentleman's premises in the suburbs of Rochester. Deceased was a trespasser on these premises, and no reason could be discovered for his presence there or his rash act. A verdict of temporary insanity was returned at the inquest.

The school children of Launceston, in Cornwall, are exchanging flags with the children of Launceston, in Tasmania.

Lord Morley has sanctioned an increase in the pay of Indian telegraph signallers, involving an extra expenditure of 51 lakhs of rupees per annum.

St. Michael's, Coventry, has been advanced to the dignity of a collegiate church, and pro-cathedral for the proposed diocese of Warwickshire.

More collieries are closing down in South Wales on account of trade depression. The Miners' Federation are appealing for financial support to assist the unemployed workmen.

A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest held on Mary Halliwell, of Stanley-rd., Fulham, who was killed by falling while attempting to sit on a chair.

At the quarterly court of the Worshipful Company of Plumbers, held at the Guildhall, Mr. A. Pollock was directed to the office of master, Sir H. Craik to that of warden, and Mr. C. Hudson to that of rector warden.

"A great deal more mischief is done by architects and churchwardens to our old parish churches than ever was done by Oliver Cromwell," declared Mr. Keyser, president of the Berkshire Archaeological Society, in an address at Newbury.

With the object of raising sufficient money to build a new church, the Rev. H. Davis Bull, pastor of the Goodnaves Congregational Church, Ilford, is issuing, as a first instalment, a million picture postcards for sale.

The case of a house standing in three parishes and carrying with it three votes was considered at Houlton Revision Court. The boundary lines of the three parishes—Southleigh, Farway, and Colyton—meet in the chimney corner.

At Preston County Court £242 compensation was awarded to Mrs. Jane Swann, the widow of a steward at the Preston Tailors' Club, who died from injuries caused by the bursting of a soda-water bottle while he was fulfilling his duties.

**"MOIST WITH HIS OWN PETARD."**  
Capt. Marnell, of the 43rd Infantry, has been accidentally killed at Lille, north of France, by the discharge of a revolver which he had fixed to his door as a burglar alarm.

**ADDRESS TO NAVAL SURGEONS.**  
Dr. Macnamara, Secretary to the Admiralty, addressing the naval surgeons who have just finished their course at Haslar Naval Hospital, said that the Admiralty were determined, in peace and war, to supply the highest medical skill.

**SUICIDE FOLLOWS PROSECUTION.**  
A verdict of found drowned was returned at an inquest at Chatham on John Longhurst, 63, coal merchant. The widow told the jury that he had been lately worried because he had prosecuted for alleged cruelty to his horse and had received several anonymous letters.

NEXT WEEK, "TOMMY, JACK, AND JOE."

WORDS AND MUSIC BY CHAS. YOUNG.

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My charming West-ern belle, Over me you've cast a spell, You're rarer than the

**CHORUS.**

live for you alone, My love, My Queen of Old Sa-ma

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sweet English maid, in beauty arrayed, One day came up on the scene, And that East-ern King to the

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## AMERICAN MARKETS.

**RUSSIAN TELEGRAMS.**  
New York, Saturday. Wheat close

New York, January 10.—Wheat closed easy, 1c. to 1c. down. Flour easy. Corn, easy, and 1c. lower. Lard steady. Cotton unchanged. Cotton barely steady. Rice unchanged. 10 points decline in petroleum. Sugar. Tailor steady. Tin quiet. Copper quiet. Iron steady. The market for live stock at Chicago.—Wheat closed easy, 1c. to 1c. lower. Corn easy and 1c. to 1c. down. Provisions easy, with Lard 1/2 up and 1/2 down, Pork 2 1/2 to 5 points lower, a few ribs 5 points higher to 2 1/2 lower. Bacon unchanged. Hogs irregular, light hogs changed to 10 points down and heavy hogs selling up.

New York, Saturday.—The Stock Market was closed irregularly. Government Bonds were steady. Railroad Bonds firm. Atchafalaya bonds sold at \$100. Chicago City Bonds at \$100. Baltimore and Ohio Com., Minneapolis & St. Paul Com., Norfolk and Western Com., Southern Railway Com., and Western Union Telegraph advanced 1/8; Canadian Pacific, Chesapeake and Ohio Com. and Northern Pacific Com. Chicago North-Western declined 1/8. Ordinary Missouri Pacific and Reading declined 1/8. Erie declined 1/8. Great Northern Preferred, Southern Pacific Com. and National Lead, 1/4. Louisville and Nashville and Amalgamated Copper declined 1/8. Minnesota Steel declined 1/8. National Lead and General Electric, 1/4. Union Pacific Com., 1/4. Union Pacific Pref., 1/4. American Smelting and Refining Com., 1/4. A. T. & T. Co. declined 1/8. Denver and Grand Com. declined 1/8. Money on call nominal. Sterling Exchange easy at 5 to 10 points.

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Cash 77.00	Do Demand 104.25
Ex. P. Night, 516.6	Do Demand 104.25
Do Berlin, 35	Missouri Pac., 55
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Nat. 4% U. S. Loan,	Pr. 31
12	Do 2nd, 19.75
Atchafon, Topeka &	Do 1st Cen. 12.8
San Fe. River, 83.7	New York City
Do. Pref., 39.6	N. York, Ont. & H.
Do. 1st, 39.6	Son River, 104.25
Do 1% C. Buda, 36	Nort. & W. Com. 7
Atlantic Coast Line	Do 4% Com. Bon.
Railroad Co., 85	N. P. Pac. Com. 13
Do. 1st, 39.30	Ont. Riv. Watr., 4
Do. Pref., 80	Penn. N. hares, 123
Canadian Pac., 178%	Do 1st, 10.75
Cent. New Jersey,	Do 1st Pref., 37
Chesapeake Ohio, 41%	Do 4% Mort., 99.25
Do. New 43.5, 101%	Rock Island, Com.
Chicago & G. W., 56	8th R. R. R. 21
Do 3% Pref., A, 25%	Do. Pref., 32%
Do 4% Pref., 10%	Do 3% 1st Mort., 100
Do 4% Deb., 35	Southern Pac., 10
Chic. Milwaukee &	Do 1st, 18
St. Paul Com., 137.4	Texas & P., 24%
Chicago & N. W. Ord.	Union Pacific, 16
156%	Do. Pref., 47%
Do. Pref., 20	Do 1st, 10.75
Chic. & Gt. Chic.	Wabash Com., 123
St. Louis & Ind., 154	Do. Pref., 24%
Delmar & Hud., 167	Amalgam. Cap. 7
Delaware, Lacka-	Do 1st, 10.75
wanna, 519.10	Com. 8
Do. 1st, 35	Anaconda Com., 4
Denver & Rio Grande	Genl. Electr. 13
Com., 25	Internat. Mercant.
Do. Pref., 35	Marine Com., 6
Do 1st, 35	National Lead, 3
East. Railroad, 2%	Tennessee Coal
Do. 1st, 43%	Iron unquoted
Do. Lien Bonds 72%	U. S. Steel 100
Gt. N. H. Pref., 12%	Do 2nd 5% Do. 1%
Illinois Cent., 139%	W. Union Tel., 5
Interboro' Metro-	silver Com., 5
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Rock Island, 10%	
Min. St. Pl. & Ste., 5%	
Rly. Com., 145	
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P.C. Austin. Witness found it contained five cartridges which had been discharged and a loaded ball cartridge. The latter had evidently misfired, for there was an indentation of its cap. When charged the accused said, "Yes, it is correct." When the charge was formally read over to him he said, "All right."—Mr. Daybell. What was his condition? He was wonderfully calm.—Was he the worse for drink? No.—Not at all under the influence? Certainly not.—Dr. Breckenridge. I am confident he was not able to attend the court for some time, and a remand was ordered.

**EARL GREY'S RANCH.**  
Victoria (B.C.), Saturday.—Earl Grey, a Government general, who has been visiting his thousand-acre ranch at Okanagan, returned

Ottawa yesterday, accompanied Lord Stanhope, Mr. Harold Lowth and the other members of his party.—Reuter.

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## THE ROUNDABOUT PAPERS.

### XXXII.—McSNIPPS' ECONOMY.

By CHRIS.



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## BULGARIA'S COUP.

### CANNOT RESTORE THE RAILWAY.

The dispute between Turkey and Bulgaria on account of the seizure by the latter of the Oriental Railway continues, though nothing definite has yet been done. The Turkish newspapers publish a telegram received by the Oriental Railway Co., according to which disturbances have occurred on different points of the line, owing to the action taken by the Bulgarian troops in expelling the employees of the company without allowing them time to secure other habitations, in confiscating coal and petroleum, in arresting an employee of the company (an Austrian subject), and threatening with expulsion an inspector (a French subject). A copy of the above telegram has been communicated to the Turkish Minister of Public Works, and another copy to the Bulgarian Foreign Office.

**Powers and Peace.** According to a semi-official statement published in Paris the dispute will probably be settled by the arbitration of the Powers. The Vienna Board of the Oriental Railway has instructed its Sofia representative to inform the Bulgarian Minister of Finance that the company declines to enter into negotiations so long as the Bulgarian Government to such a course was not produced.

**A Bulgarian Explanation.** A memorial setting forth the position which induced the Bulgarian Government to proceed to the occupation of the Oriental Rly., situated in Southern Bulgaria, has been by Bulgaria sent to all the representatives of the Great Powers. The memorial declares that it is no longer possible to re-establish the status quo ante, and requests the Powers to safeguard foreign interests. The Gueshoff incident remains where it was, the Bulgarian Government insisting on the principle of the recognition of the diplomatic character of its representative. The proposals made by the Grand Visir to the Bulgarian Premier for the settlement of the conflict avoid, it is declared, the question of principle altogether. The "Baba" (Constantinople), in an article on the tension between Turkey and Bulgaria, says there are many reasons militating against Bulgaria's proclaiming independence against Turkey. "Turkey," says the journal, "could ultimately strike a much more formidable blow at Bulgaria, especially when it is taken into consideration that the Ottoman Government is now traversing a period of revolution. Moreover, Bulgaria and Serbia would range themselves side by side with Turkey. It is stated from Paris that the other Powers, who have protested at Sofia against the occupation of the Oriental Railway, Dr. Mitchevitch, Bulgarian Diplomatic Agent in London, has left for Sofia. He expects to be back in London next month.

**AN AFTERNOON OUT.** Mary Gertrude Frances Stewart, 18, was in the dock at Westminster Police Court charged with obtaining by false pretences two hats, a fur coat, and a dressing-gown, of the total value of £55, from Harrod's Stores (Ltd.), Brompton-rd. Prisoner, it was stated, had been staying at the Alexandra Hotel, Knightsbridge, in the name of Miss Mitchell Innes. One afternoon she went to Harrod's and asked to see some leather dressing-gowns. She selected one worth about £10, which was sent to the hotel. Then she went to the fur department, selected an expensive coat, and asked that it also should be sent to the hotel and charged to the account of Mrs. Mitchell Innes, of Caxton, near Cardiff.

**THE PROPERTY BROOKER.** From a statement prisoner had made to Det. Sgt. Barrett, and prosecuting counsel, it appeared that she was formerly in the employ of Mrs. Innes as a kitchenmaid, and so, no doubt, knew that the lady had an account with Harrod's. All the property had been recovered. Prisoner said she would plead guilty rather than go to the Sessions. She did tell the salesman at Harrod's that she was Miss Mitchell Innes. Det. Sgt. Barrett asked prisoner had given various accounts of herself. One was that she was the daughter of a Mr. Stewart, of Warwick House, Aldeburgh, Suffolk, and a niece of Mrs. Mitchell Innes. On arrival in London she went to the Alexandra Hotel, giving the name of herself was that her real name was Mary Innes, and that she was in no way related to Mrs. Mitchell Innes. Sgt. Barrett asked for a remand, which was granted.

**IMPROPER POSTCARDS.** The Postmaster-General has recently received complaints which show that the post is being used for the transmission of cards bearing pictorial designs of an objectionable and in some cases, indecent character. He desires, therefore, to draw the attention of the public to the fact that by the provisions of the Post Office (Prohibition) Act, 1884, any person who sends by post a postal packet (which term includes a postcard) having thereon "any words, marks, or signs of an indecent, obscene, or grossly offensive character," is guilty of a misdemeanour, and is liable to be fined or imprisoned for 12 months. Any postcards which come within this prohibition are, when observed in the post, withheld from delivery.

## BLACKMAIL CHARGE.

### THE THREAT TO KILL MR. J. B. JOEL.

Further evidence was taken at Marlborough-st. Police Court in the sensational case in which Chas. Winborn, formerly of Eighth-avenue, Manor Park, and Arthur Thos. Canham, of Olive Cottage, Manor Park, were charged with attempting to blackmail Mrs. J. B. Joel by threatening to kill her husband, Mr. J. B. Joel, of Grosvenor-sq.—Accused men.



MRS. J. B. JOEL.

It is alleged, belonging to a secret society known as the Camerista Monero. On Sept. 17 they sent to Mrs. Joel a letter demanding £500 within two weeks, otherwise preparations would, it was stated, be made for the death of her husband. The reply was to be made through the agency of a newspaper, Chief-insp. Collins, of New Scotland Yard, took the matter in hand, with the result that the following letter was received by Mrs. Joel:—

Madam.—Your son. Will send me money to my house on Tuesday next at 8 p.m. Have the money ready—£200 in

notes of £5, and the other in gold in £25 packets. The messenger will bring a box and wait, and now consider a lot before you attempt to discover us or get the police to do so. They might get one even a hundred, but there are more in the Camerista Monero.

If everything is done honourably you and yours will never be in any danger, and you can command the whole of the Camerista Monero by calling through the Daily Chronicle special column. Following the receipt of this letter, Insp. Collins and Det. Insp. Lawrence went to the house in Grosvenor-sq., where Canham called with a box, to which was attached another letter.

Canham, when arrested, said he was only a messenger, and was to hurry back to Manor Park and pass it to an address. Neither Mr. Joel, the prosecutor, nor either of the prisoners were legally represented in court.

**Mrs. Joel in the Box.** The first witness called now was Mrs. J. B. Joel, a handsome woman about 35 years of age. She was handed one of the letters, which she identified. Mr. Plowden: "Have you ever seen this man (Canham) before?"

—Mrs. Joel: No, I saw the man when he came with the box. "Have you seen the handwriting before?" No, that was the first letter I had. "I may take it that it came up to you as a surprise?" "Very much so." "I am looking at the first letter that it refers to a similar demand for money having been made to your husband. Do you know anything about that?" "No, I know nothing at all about it. I don't think so; I never heard of it." Chief-insp. Collins asked Mr. Joel had no knowledge of having received such a letter.

**A Confession.** Det. Insp. Goodwillie described how at the station at Ilford Wimbora said:—

"I don't know what made us do it. We were both to get the sack when the business was sold. Canham got a lot of back numbers of 'Lloyd's' and got Mr. Joel's address from the Stiver case. I am not sure what paper was in it, but it might have been 'Lloyd's,' but it was some weekly paper. I am sorry we were so silly. I told Canham that if we were found out it would be very serious for us. I thought that as Stiver had got £25,000 from Joel we should be able to get £200 from his wife without any difficulty. Insp. Lawrence said that on searching Canham he found a number of letters and visiting-cards and a Bible. Mr. Plowden (surprised): You say you found Bible on him? Witness said: Yes, a very small pocket Bible. Mr. Plowden: Have you made any inquiries about this so-called mysterious Camerista Monero?—Insp. Collins said he knew of no such society. The Earl of Londesdale had received on a letter signed in a similar way, and Wimbora had that morning given information with regard to a theft at Lord Londesdale's. The inspector added that he thought the name was invented by prisoners themselves. Both prisoners were then committed for trial.

**Champagne at the Monaco.** Before reaching the Horns, at Kensington, she refused any more; but at the Horns she had another. She next remembered being in the Haymarket. "Did you cry? No, I shrieked to go home. Defendant said, 'Just one more drink, and I will drive you home.' We went to the Monaco, where a large bottle of champagne was ordered. I drank a lot, because when I got up I could not stand hardly. I kept talking, but my glass never went down. I don't remember any more until the next morning, when a telephone bell ringing woke me, and I found myself with defendant. He said he had to go to the market, but would be back at 11 o'clock. This was three o'clock. Witness said that up to that time she had been a virtuous girl. When defendant came back from Smithfield at 11 o'clock she told him she was afraid to go home. He said, 'Don't worry. Will you stay here?' and she

## GIRL'S SAD STORY.

### A VISIT TO A WEST-END FLAT.

**DISTRESSING CASE.**

The perils which beset young girls in London were shown in a distressing case heard in the London Sheriff's Court, when Mr. King, formerly of Peckham, sued, on behalf of his daughter Dorothy, Mr. Harry Nathan, a Smithfield meat salesman, for damages for the seduction of his child, who was 16 years old last Christmas Day. Mr. Head, counsel for the plaintiff, said the girl, who was learning the millinery trade, had lived with her parents at Peckham. In May last she was with a friend in Queen's-rd., looking in a shop. Defendant, with another man, came along in an American trotting rig. The girl looked round, and said that she had seen him, and that she had told him she was living at Hampstead. Defendant took her downstairs, told her to get into a cab, and leaving the flat she began to cry. Defendant went up to her, and said, "Don't cry, kid; kiss your uncle," and slipped the ring he had given her off her finger. She told him she could never go home again, and that he was driving her on to the streets. He was driving her to the streets. At the end of the fortnight she left. She went to a flat where Mrs. Clayton was living in Albany-st. She was there a week, and then took a flat in Wells-st., Oxford-st., where she was another week before her father found her. At the first flat she was not leading a moral life, but at the last place she did. She had no money. Plaintiff described the various places she went to during the time she was away.

**At a Music-Hall.** One night he took her to the Pavilion, and she there saw and spoke to a friend of her father. She told Nathan she had seen him, and that she had told him she was living at Hampstead. Defendant took her downstairs, told her to get into a cab, and leaving the flat she began to cry. Defendant went up to her, and said, "Don't cry, kid; kiss your uncle," and slipped the ring he had given her off her finger. She told him she could never go home again, and that he was driving her on to the streets. He was driving her to the streets. At the end of the fortnight she left. She went to a flat where Mrs. Clayton was living in Albany-st. She was there a week, and then took a flat in Wells-st., Oxford-st., where she was another week before her father found her. At the first flat she was not leading a moral life, but at the last place she did. She had no money. Plaintiff described the various places she went to during the time she was away.

**Visit to a Flat.** Later she met him at his flat in Francis-mansions, Tottenham Court-road, and they had a musical Saturday evening. She had told him that her parents were strict, and desired her to be in at 9 p.m. He drove her home that Saturday evening, and next day they met again, and drove in a taxi-cab to the Star and Garter, Richmond. Thence they went in a boat to Thames Ditton. Counsel alleged that that day defendant asked the girl to marry him, gave her a valuable ring, and said they would spend their honeymoon at Ditton. On the way home the girl was made to drink much port. She implored defendant to take her home, but he seemed to have become stupefied, and next remembered being driven up the Hay-

**Counsel put certain letters to witness.** One was from the defendant from the King's Head Hotel, East Doreham:—

My dear Little Girl—I was more than pleased to get your address. I shall not be home till Saturday evening, but you care to meet me, come to my flat on Saturday evening, 7.30, and I will take you to the Exhibition, and also for a ride on Sunday. Write me if you will. Excuse haste. Best love, H. N. Another letter was from plaintiff to defendant as follows:—

My dear Harry—Thanks very much for the letter. I did not expect to hear from you so soon. I was very pleased to hear that you had not forgotten about poor little me.

I am sorry I cannot see you again on Saturday. The reason is that I cannot see you now.

Can you meet me on Monday at 8.45 outside the Monaco? Papa will be going out about 8.15, and I can slip out then, because mamma will go with him.

I was up at Peckham on Monday, and I met Len outside the Monaco. I was with your friend George, and they took me in, and Len went and fetched a girl named Nellie. We had dinner together, and I did enjoy myself.

Ma thought I had been at business all day, but I had not. It was 10 o'clock before I got home, and she said she would write to you on Monday. What time I left, but she did not do so.

I've not been at business all this week. I expect they will make me leave. I don't care if they do, and I don't care if they will write to the same address and let me know about Monday? I hope you will excuse the writing, as I am writing this in a park near home. With love, Dorothy.

The witness said she went to the defendant's flat after he had sent two telegrams. One (produced) was:—

Miss Clifford, care of Steno, Gibbons-rd.—Try meet me 7.30 to-morrow night, Friday. If not, 1.30 Sunday morning. Write, Royal Hotel, Newmarket.

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